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Historical Sketch

Hay Street Methodist Episcopol Church, South

Fayetteville, North Carolina





HISTORICAL SKETCH

of

HAY ST. METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH

FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

DEDICATION

To all who seek faithfully to build on our foundation "which is Jesus Christ."

1 Cor. 3:11.

From Church Records and Other Sources

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METHODISM

1729

1. Oxford group called Methodists.

1739

 John and Charles Wesley and George Whitfield were forced to organize to care for places of worship for their followers. Methodism organized.

1784

Methodists in the U. S. A. organized the Methodist Episcopal church.

1808

4. Rev. Thomas Mason appointed to the Methodist Episcopal Church in Fayetteville, N. C.

1834

5. Hay St. Church was built.

1839

6. Hay St. Church celebrated the Centenary of Methodism.

1908

7. Hay St. Church celebrated the one hundredth birthday of the M. E. Church in Fayetteville by services in a new and larger church home.

1934

8. Hay St. Church celebrates the Sesqui-Centennial of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the one hundredth anniversary of Hay Street Methodist Episcopal Church.

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PREFACE

No one, with proper ideas, ever looked over a life that had been lived, or a book that had been written, without seeing and feeling how it might have been bettered.—Bishop H. N. McTyeire, in his preface to "A History of Methodism."

Mindful of the truth contained in Bishop McTyeire's statement, this outline of the history of Hay Street Church has been compiled.

The first chapter considers the beginnings of Methodism—the last chapter a few of the evidences of how good a thing it is to: "Stand in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where IS the good way, and walk therein." Jer. 6:16.

In between these two chapters is at least one excerpt (just as found in the Records of the Trustees, or the Records of the Quarterly Conferences) from the record of each pastor, from Rev. Thomas Mason in 1808 to Rev. Walter Patten 1934.

The church records do not mention the fact that Bishop Francis Asbury was in Fayetteville ten times, nor that Rev. George Whitfield preached here several times long before Asbury came. Excerpts from the church records will be enclosed by quotation marks, and facts from other sources and comments by the compiler, will be enclosed by brackets.

Special gratitude is expressed to Mrs. J. Le Grand Everett for facts copied from The Journal of Bishop Francis Asbury; facts copied from the autobiography of Bishop Wm. Capers; facts from minutes of General Conference; and for the item from Rev. James Jenkins about the church built in 1803. To Mrs. Charles Rankin, (Harriot Sutton Rankin) for permission to copy material from "The History of the First Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville, North Carolina." To Bishop H. N. McTyeire's History of Methodism, to Grissom's "History of Methodism in North Carolina." To The Illustrated History of Methodism. To all who have given information so willingly, but especially to the Stewards, Trustees, Pastors, and Presiding Elders who have served God in our church by faithful attention to details ALL THE TIME, for having kept the records in order from 1808 to 1934. Addresses delivered at the dedication of the church building now in use, and other valuable source material, must be left for a compiler in the future but reluctantly! They are in the corner-stone.

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CHAPTER I.

METHODISM

John and Charles Wesley and a few friends studied the Bible together, fasted, lived according to rules made to help them in their religious life and in their studies. They were Oxford University menand in 1729 they were first called Methodists because of the way they used their time. They were called "The Holy Club" because of their piety and their good works. In his Dictionary published in 1738 John Wesley defines a Methodist: "A Methodist—one that lives according to the method laid down in the Bible." Dr. Calamy says: "They called

those who stood up for God, Methodists."

Others had been called Methodists nearly a hundred years before Wesley's group at Oxford gathered. Therefore the name "Oxford Metsodists" to identify the group of University teachers and students. John Wesley was a fellow of Lincoln College, Oxford University. He was elected over opposition to his "peculiar and strict views and way of life." "His literary character was now established at the university. He was acknowledged to be a man of talents and learning, while his skill in logic was known to be remarkable. The result was that though he was only in the twenty-third year of his age, he was, in November following, elected Greek lecturer and moderator of the classes."

John Wesley explains later that even after his trip to America his living, and teaching, and preaching brought no consciousness of God,

as Father. He was "a servant, with the faith of a servant."

"On May 24, 1738, John Wesley 'received such a sense of the forgiveness of sins as, till then, he never knew." "At a quarter before nine, I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone, for salvation; and an assurance was given me that he had

taken away my sins, even MINE."

John Wesley, in 1741, preaching before the university on "The almost a Christian" said: "May we all thus experience what it is to be, not almost only, but altogether Christians; being justified freely by His grace, through the redemption that is in Jesus; knowing we have peace with God through Jesus Christ; rejoicing in hope of the glory of God; and having the love of God shed abroad in our hearts, by the Holy Spirit given unto us."

Bishop McTyeire says: "From the hour of his adoption as a son, Wesley was another man, and his preaching another preaching. That was the genesis of Methodism." Rev. George Whitfield, was one of the "Holy Club," an Oxford Methodist, and probably the most effective preacher in that blessed group. Whitfield had accepted the Word of

God and received the assurance of son-ship before Wesley surrendered fully. Here is his consecration of himself at his ordination by the Bishop of Gloucester: "I trust that I answered to every question from the bottom of my heart, and heartily prayed that God might say, Amen. If my vile heart doth not deceive me, I offered up my whole spirit, soul, and body to the service of God's sanctuary. Let come what will, life or death, depth or height, I shall henceforward live like one who this day, in the presence of men and angels, took the holy sacrament upon the profession of being inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon me that ministration in the church."

Whitfield preached to great congregations in England—sinners in all walks of life were converted. He came to America, not as an organizer, nor as an ecclesiastical legislator, but as a preacher. "He was preeminently a preacher—a loving, melting, saving preacher. In both hemispheres, but especially in America, starting out from and returning to Georgia in many successive trips, he was to be the evangelist, preparing the way for Methodism." [Our records give no account of Whitfield's visits to Fayetteville, but in the History of the First Presbyterian Church, we find this: p. 69:

"Rev. George Whitfield, the great evangelist, preached at Fayetteville several times, but the date of his visits is not known."

It was before 1770—(the year he died) and most probably in the beginning of his work in America. His health was impaired, and, too, in his later visits he was eager to get to his close friends in New England, so he made the trip from Georgia as direct as possible.

By these two servants of God, John Wesley and Goerge Whitfield,

both the form and the spirit of Methodism were given to us.

Rev. George Whitfield preached the last of his "more than 18,000 sermons" on Saturday, Sept. 29, 1770, at Exter from the text: "Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith, prove your own selves; know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?" 2 Cor. 13:5. He preached in the open air to a great multitude—in opposition to medical advice. Then rode to Newburyport—and because the people of the place gathered in front of the house to hear a word from him. He talked to them from the steps about eternal salvation. He died the next morning at six o'clock, and was buried in Old South Church, Newburyport, where just to the left of the pulpit a cenotaph expresses the love of a friend and records his devotion to his Lord.

On Octber 7, 1771, the year after George Whitfield's death, Francis Asbury arrived in Philadelphia. He began at once to travel up and down the Atlantic slope and preach the Gospel as understood by the Methodist Society. He was the founder, organizer, and apostle of the Methodist Church in the United States. He traveled almost constantly for fifty-five years. During thirty years he crossed the Alleghany mountains sixty times. He often slept in the woods without even the

necessary food or raiment. He says "In the southern states I have waded swamps and led my horse for miles, while I took colds that brought on diseases which are now preying on my system, and must soon terminate in death." "The labors of Asbury were probably without example." It has been asserted by one of the ex-presidents of the Weslvan Conference—and the admission is remarkable coming from that quarter—that Bishop Asbury was in labors more abundant than Wesley himself. see no reason to question Dr. Bang's estimate, which is, that Asbury, during the forty-five years of his ministry in this country, delivered not less than sixteen thousand four hundred and twenty-five sermons, besides lectures and exhortations inumerable; that he traveled during the same time about two hundred seventy thousand miles, for the most part on the worst roads, and on horseback; that he sat in not less than two hundred twenty-four Annual Conferences; and ordained more than four thousand ministers. This is a service of great labors, to which I doubt if the whole history of Christianity for eighteen centuries can find a parallel."—Bishop McTyeire.

In 1783 Rev. Francis Asbury was in Cumberland County—but does not mention Fayetteville.

On December 24, 1784, the "Christmas Conference," a conference called by Dr. Coke and Mr. Asbury, met in Lovely Lane Chapel in Baltimore. It continued in session for ten days. There were about sixty preachers. "Dr. Coke, taking the chair, presented the letter from Mr. Wesley. And according to this document they formed themselves into an Episcopal Church, having superintendents, elders, and deacons. Coke and Asbury were unanimously elected superintendents." Dr. Coke says: "On a week day I made a collection towards assisting our brethren who were going to Nova Scotia; and our friends generously contributed fifty pounds currency—thirty pounds sterling." A missionary collection at the first conference—"in a plain, humble meeting house, which was without even a stove, and the seats without backs, until, in the language of Dr. Coke, 'the friends in Baltimore were so kind as to put up a large stove and to back several of the seats." It was, from that body of men, a liberal collection for foreign missions.

In 1788 Bishop Asbury came to Fayetteville—but was unable to preach. It was usual for his companion to preach when he could not—and he says: "Wednesday we pushed on to the south state."

Bishop Asbury must have had some knowledge of the fact that Rev.

Henry Evans was erecting a Methodist meeting-house.

"1803 on Sunday, February 6. We rode 12 miles to Fayetteville IT-WAS NOT KNOWN WHETHER WE WERE TO PREACH IN OUR OWN MEETING-HOUSE, or in the State House; so we ventured into the Presbyterian meeting house;" [State House]. Rev. Mr. Flinn, the minister, invited Bishop Asbury to preach, "bue Rev. James Jenkins and Rev. Nicholas Snethen went to the pulpit, and the latter spoke."

Rev. James Jenkins says of that visit: "There was a small society under the care of a colored man named Evans. He had leased a lot for seven years and commenced building a church 20 by 30 feet out of rough edge materials. This was the first Methodist church in the place.

In a short time an addition of 10 feet was made to it."

From Bishop Capers autobiography we learn that: Rev. Henry Evans, a negro, was converted when quite young and was "licensed to preach by the Methodists in Virginia." He stopped in Fayetteville on his way to Charleston, S. C., thinking that he could succeed best there at his trade. He was a shoemaker. He found that his people in Fayetteville were without religious services and many of them very wicked. So he stopped to preach to them, and with great effect. The Town Council interferred, and he had to leave town. He held meetings and preached, changing the meeting place so as to avoid conflict.

Finally the power of God manifested in the lives of the converts convinced their owners that Henry Evans was influencing his people for righteousness. And then they desired him to return to Fayetteville and

preach. He must have come to Fayetteville first, early in 1800.

Bishop Asbury preached in the Methodist Meeting-house—built by Rev. Henry Evans on Cool Spring Street. He says in his journal: "Tuesday, January 15, Fayetteville. At the African meetin-house I preached at eleven o'clock" x x "Jan. 10, 1806—Fayetteville—Sunday 12, unwell—nevertheless I took the PULPIT."

In 1807—1808 he did not come to Fayetteville.

Rev. Henry Evans was not strong enough to handle the two congregations any longer. He talked to the preacher on the Bladen Circuit and asked to be relieved.

In 1808 Bishop Asbury accepted the work as part of the Methodist Episcopal Church and assigned the first pastor, Rev. Thomas Mason.

Rev. Moses Matthews was the Presiding Elder.

Henry Evans died in 1810, and is buried under the church that today stands on the site of the First Methodist Church built in Fayetteville. Of the last service he attended, Bishop William Capers, then Pastor of the Methodist Church in Fayetteville says: 'Perhaps his greatness is seen in his last speech as much as in any other act of his life. It was customary for the white preacher to preach for the blacks directly after the morning service for the white people. "On Sunday before Evans died, as this meeting was being held, the door of the little rear room opened and the old man tottered in. Leaning on the altar rail, he said very simply: 'I have come to say my last word to you. It is this: None but Christ. Three times I have had my life in jeopardy for preaching the gospel to you, and if in my last hour I could trust to that, or to anything else but Christ crucified, for my salvation, all should be lost and my soul perish forever."

CHAPTER II.

1808-1810

The first official record of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Fayetteville is for 1808. "Rev. Thomas Mason, Pastor, and Rev. Moses Matthews, Presiding Elder." [No record of official meetings for the year are available. Judging from the way the work continued to grow we are sure that Mr. Mason served well. From printed records of Methodism, and from his grandson, Dr. Frank Mason North, of Madison, New Jersey, we know that Rev. Thomas Mason was elected by the North Carolina Conference to membership in the General Conference of 1816, which met in New York. By that body he was elected assistant book agent, and was re-elected in 1820. And after an interval as pastor, again in 1828. His life thereafter, until his demise in November 1843, was spent in New York and vicinity." Rev. Thomas Mason was born near New Bern, North Carolina, and was appointed to the church in Fayetteville by Bishop Francis Asbury. Dr. Frank Mason North, his grandson, is today a power for God in the Methodist church.]

April 3, 1809. Present: Rev. Jonathan Jackson, Presiding Elder; Rev. Samuel Dunwoody, Pastor. Stewards: Nathan Williamson, Secretary; John Lumsden, John M. Cockburn, Isham Blake, David Buie, Alexander McDonald, William Lumsden, William G. F. Saltonstall.

"Proceeded to the trial of Brother William James, on account of raising and causing discord in the church of God in this place, by the instigation of writing a letter to Brother Dunwoody, in which a number of the Brethren were accused of things contrary to the spirit of the Gospel and the character of a Christian.

The letter was read and the contents maturely considered. A majority present thought it contained many inconsistencies, and its author not clear of censure. By the President [Rev. Jonathan Edwards, Presiding Elder] the three following propositions were proposed: 1st, Whether he should be cleared; 2nd, Suspended, or 3rd, Excommunicated.

The second was unanimously agreed to, that he should be suspended for three months, and in the proviso he stirred up no strife, after the expiration of said term he would be restored to the fellowshinp of the church."

[From Bishop Asbury's journal we learn—no mention of any of Bishop Asbury's visits to Fayetteville are found in the records of the Methodist church in Fayetteville available to the compiler—that on

Sunday, January 7, 1810, both Bishop Asbury and Bishop McKendree preached in "our enlarged Meeting House," Bishop Asbury in the morning and Bishop McKendree in the evening.]

June 2, 1810. Rev. Daniel Asbury, P. E., Matthew P. Sturdevant,

Pastor.

Present: John Pearce, John M. Cockburn, Isham Blake, Alexander McDonald, Gurden F. Saltonstall, Henry Evans, and Tom.

"As usual proceeded to examine the state of the church. No cause for complaint.

The present situation of the Meeting House taken into consideration, and in order to CARRY ON THE building,

Resolved: That at every quarterly meeting held for this place, public collections be made in the congregations for the purpose of carrying on the building."

August 13, 1810. Rev. Daniel Asbury, P. E., Rev. William Capers, Pastor.

Without any explanation, we find Rev. Wm. Capers is pastor. Rev.

Matthew P. Sturdevant served only about six months.

"The character of each member present was examined, and no cause for complaint found. [At every quarterly meeting the name of each member present was called and his character examined.] A resolution was passed that x x the collections for the Meeting House be made in the congregation by persons at the door of the white and black peoples apartments, and delivered into the hands of the Stewards."

November 3, 1810. Rev. Daniel Asbury, P. E., Rev. William Capers, Pastor.

1st. The former secretary, Nathan Williamson, not finding it convenient at all times to attend quarterly meetings, Miles Blake has been

duly appointed in his place.

2nd. At Quarterly Conference held in August 1810, it was ordered that a public collection be made at each door for the building of the Meeting House, and that John M. Cockburn and Isham Blake be appointed collectors for the apartment of the whites, and George Blocker and Tom Tillinghast for the Blacks, which collections are to be delivered into the hands of the Stewards, to be appropriated as above mentioned.

3rd. John H. Pearce being impressed with a belief that he was called of God to labor in his vineyard, proposed himself, and was recom-

mended as a traveling preacher on trial.

4th. Ordered that a committee consisting of John M. Cockburn, G. F. Saltonstall, and Isham Blake be appointed to make some alterations, viz: to enlarge their appartment, or arrange the seats as they may think proper, for the better accommodation of the Black people

5th. That there be appointed once in four weeks a meeting to make

collections for building the Meeting House, and that said meeting be

commenced and ended by singing and prayer."

[It was during the pastorate of Rev. William Capers, in 1810, that Rev. Henry Evans died. He had made his will on December 9, 1809. In the copy of his will you will note that he left his property "to the Methodist Episcopal Church in this place," and note, "from the west end of said church"—to locate his residence. He named members of the Methodist Episcopal Church as trustees of the property willed to the Church. A copy of the will follows.]

State of North Carolina—Cumberland County.

In the name of God, Amen.

I, Henry Evans shoemaker in the town of Fayetteville, and of perfect mind and memory, thanks be to God, of the State and County above written, do make, ordain and constitute this to be my last Will and

Testament in the things herein mentioned.

1st. It is my earnest desire, through the love I have for the cause of God in general and the Methodist Episcopal Church in this place in particular, to give unto it—1st, That part or plat of land now in my possession on the west side of Spring Street, eigsty-six feet on the front and to the west end of said Church as it now stands so far as I possess to be in the possession of said Church to preach and exercise in according to their discipline under the direction of certain persons hereafter named as Trustees, and their successors forever in office. 2nd, I give and bequeath to the said Methodist connection the remainder of said tract or plat of land from the west end of said Church now in my possession, after my death and the death of my beloved wife Melia with all its appurtenances and privileges to be for the use and benefit of said Church and to be under the direction of John Lumsden, John M. Cockburn, Gurdon F. Saltonstall, John Thomas, Isham Blake, Daniel Bass, and Nathan Williamson as Trustees of said Church and their successors in office forever.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 9th day of December 1809.

Henry Evans. (Seal)

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of Alexander McDonald, John H. Pearce, Thomas J. Robeson..

Copy from the original onfile."

[Rev. William Capers has left for us a graphic description of the conditions in our Church in Fayetteville about 1810, and from Grissom's History of Methodism in North Carolina we learn that "preachers received sixty-four dollars a year—if they were paid in full." Mr. Caper's description follows:

"At our second Quarterly meeting early in June 1810, I was removed from x x to the town of Fayetteville, N. C. The case was urgent and my removal sudden, so that I went immediately after the Quartetrly meeting, and on the 13th day of the month was in my new

charge." After describing his plan of preaching and constructing his sermons he says: 'For the performance of pastoral duty, I visited each family of my charge once a week, appropriating the time from nine o'clock a. m. to one p. m. for five days of the week to the purpose, and allowing half an hour to each house I visited. The names of the families were appropriated to each day, and with which one to begin and end the day, so that each family knew within a few minutes when to expect me. I considered these visits as so many appointments which I might not disappoint, and was seldom absent at the time when I was looked for. In this pleasant town, with such people as the Blakes, Coburn, Lumsden, Saltonstall, McDonald, Thomas, Eccles, Price, and others, I was most agreeably situated. But what contributed most to my happiness as regards society, was the uncommon attachment to each other which existed between that most pure hearted and intelligent man, the Rev. John H. Pearce and myself. x x x

With such names as I have mentioned above, it would seem that there were abundant means for the support of the ministry. No doubt there was; and no doubt, too, that if the Church had been well organized as regards fiscal affairs, there would have been ample accommodation for the preachers without having him to board from house to house among his people. But the general policy of the Church was, to have an unmarried minister to suit the long rides to the scattered appointments of the circuits a hundred miles through; the towns were not yet considered as requiring any thing materially different from the circuits. Except the parsonage-house in Georgetown x x x and a poor hull of a house in Wilmington, built by Mr. Meredith for his use, the only parsonage-house in the states of Georgia and North and South Carolina was in Charleston; that famous old yellow coop which stood in Bethel churchyard: in which, when that very great man, soul and body, Dr. Olin, was stationed there, he could not stand upright. But why build parsonage houses for single men, either in town or country? In the present case it would have been regarded as a downright evil: and the incumbent now to be provided for out of the question, there were too many homes for the preacher, and too much interest felt at each of them to have him there, for a thought to be entertained of building a preacher's house. Were they not all his houses, and the best of their accommodations at his service? For the six months of my pastorate in Fayetteville, I lodged successively with brothers Price, Blake, Coburn and Lumsden: four instead of one (their plan being convenient) on the circuit principle of alternating with the people; because if the preacher were a blessing, they should share it, and if a burden, they should bear it among them severally. I was put under the kindest obligations to them, the remembrance of which is more than pleasant; particularly those most excellent men and their saintly wives, Isham Blake and John Coburn: father and mother were they indeed to me x x x among others who were the first fruits [of Rev. Henry Evans' preaching] were my old friends Mr. and Mrs. Lumsden, Mrs. Bowen, for many years preceptress of the Female Academy, Mrs. Malsby, and, I think, Mr. and Mrs. Blake

[Then followed a description of how he and Brother Pearce collected funds for helping the poor for the winter, what they bought and how they distributed it.] Bishop Capers continues: Few half years of my life have been spent more pleasantly or more profitably than the half year in Fayetteville.' From the Autobiography of William Capers, D. D., Bishop of the M. E. Church, South,—in the Life of William Capers, D. D., by William M. Whiteman, D. D."]

The General Minutes for 1810 report:

"Fayetteville 110 white, 87 colored members."

[This is the only official record of the number of members available The Pastor, Rev. Matthew Sturdevant, evidently reported to the Annual Conference, though not to the Quarterly Conference.]

March 2, 1811.

"Rev. James Norton, Pastor, William Terry, and John H. Pearce were appointed a committee to superintend and carry on the building of the addition to the Methodist Meeting House in this place."

May 9, 1811.

"The following were appointed trustees for the Methodist Episcopal Church in Fayetteville, to wit: John Lumsden, John Thomas, Gurden F. Saltonstall, Nathan Williamson, John M. Cockburn, John Pearce, and William Terry."

November 1818.

"Henry Bass being impressed that he was called of God to the ministry, was recommended by the above members to our next Annual Conference. Having taken into consideration the finishing of the Meeting House, and finding that funds were lacking, it was agreed that John H. Pearce should present a note for one hundred fifty dollars, endorsed by William Terry and Miles Blake, to the Cape Fear, or the State Bank for discount, and that said one hundred fifty dollars be paid into the Bank by installments until reduced to seventy-five dollars. If there should not be at that time sufficient money in the hands of the stewards to discharge the debt, and the indorsers have to step forward and take up the said note, that each of the above official members (John M. Cockburn, and Nathan Williamson exempted) should pay their quota of said amount—by agreement of the same."

August 14, 1812.

"At a quarterly conference held this day at the Methodist Meeting House; was present the following official members of the Methodist Society—Rev. Daniel Asbury, P. E., Rev. William S. Tally, Pastor,

William Terry, Nathan Williamson, Isham Blake, William Lumsden, John Owen, John Lumsden, Alex MacDonald, Miles Blake.

A charge brought by Gilbert Eccles against John H. Pearce for having taken away from his house his daughter Fanny, without his knowl-

edge or his consent.

It was therefore deemed expedient by the above Conference after a due examination of the charge against the said John H. Pearce, that he, the said John H. Pearce, should be suspended for the space of three months from all the privileges of the membership. That the Society might take further cognizance of the spirit by which he has, and may in future be actuated. After which time the members of said Society shall again restore him to membership, provided his walk and penitence within the time above mentioned may be such as would justify them

in so doing."

Consider these facts and we can see that Rev. John H. Pearce, steward and Local Preacher, eloped with Frances (Fanny) Eccles. When Rev. Wm. Capers was pastor two years before he and John H. Pearce were intimate friends, yet he neither spent part of his time in Mr. Pearce's home, nor did he mention Mr. Pearce and his wife among those named as "fathers and mothers indeed to me;" the name Frances Pearce appears in the list of church members afterwards; and, while a runaway marriage would be permissible for a member of the church, the Discipline in use then—See Discipline, ninth edition, 1797, p. 54—when any objection is made "a Methodist preacher ought not to be married to her." Hence the severity of the trial before the quarterly Conference. It was a day in which membership in a church required right living and a preacher must live above reproach. John H. Pearce acknowledged his offence against Mr. Eccles, his brethren, and against the committee— [evidently a church trial first-] and against Conference. His license to exhort was renewed at the time he was re-elected steward within a few months and his license to preach renewed within a year and a half. It is evident that his brethren had faith in his repentance.

September 13, 1812.

Rev. Wm. S. Tally Pastor.

"A committee was appointed to secure and file a copy of a deed to a lot on the west side of Cool Spring Street, opposite the grave yard and adjoining the Methodist Meeting House. The lot was given by Oliver Pearce, Jacob Egleston, Samuel Pearce, P. T. Tillinghast and Daniel Bass. "Forever in trust for the use of the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the United States of America." The deed was made to the trustees of the church, as commissioners for the church. Their reason for making the gift: For divers good causes us thereunto moving, and for the furtherance of the worship of God." [The lot was given and the indenture properly signed and recorded ON MAY 9, 1811, and is the lot on which the "neat little chapel," in which Bishop Asbury preached in 1812, was built.]

CHAPTER III.

1813—1830

October 2, 1813.

Rev. Solomon Bryan, Pastor.

"John H. Pearce again presented a petition for license as a local preacher, on trial. His petition was granted, as was that of Thomas Hearn to have his license as a local preacher renewed."

January 10, 1814.

Rev. Solomon Bryan, Pastor.

It is worthy of note that at this meeting the routine business was transacted. No mention is made of the Annual Conference to meet in Fayetteville two days later. Bishop Asbury's Journal records the meeting of Conference in Fayetteville January 14, 1814. Both Bishop Asbury and Bishop McKendree were at the Conference. The pastor for Fayetteville for January 10, 1814, was Rev. Solomon Bryan-and at Conference a few days later we find:]

Rev. William M. Kennedy, P. E., Rev. Griffin Christopher, Pastor.

May 5, 1814.

"Nathan Williamson having moved away ceases to be a steward. John Thomas declines acting any longer as a trustee. Isham Blake and William Hilliard were appointed trustees."

September 10, 1814.

"Daniel Bass was chosen trustee in place of John Lumsden whose place was vacated by his expulsion from the church."

September 29, 1815.

Rev. William Kennedy, P. E., Rev. John B. Glenn, Pastor.

At a meeting of the colored leaders:

Present: Tom Johnston, Tom Tillinghast, Phil Davis, Solomon Campbell, Sharper Broadfot, Limrick Kelly, Job Hazell, Quam McRae, Tom Terrel. [From this date they held their own meetings with the Pre-

siding Elder, Pastor and Secretary present.],
George Warden, "contrary to the advice of his brethren, took to himself a second wife while his former one was living." His brethren decided that he should be expelled. It was referred to the following meeting of the Quarterly Conference. We find for the meeting July 22, 1815:

"The case of George Warden being again brought before the Conference, after a further examination, and deliberation, it was, almost unanimously, agreed that he should be expelled, only one voting in his favor."

[It was in 1815—1817 that the parsonage was built on Cool Spring Street, on a lot bought from Samuel Pearce, for two hundred twenty dollars, on August 4, 1815. No mention is made of the building in the record for the time.]

[The quarterly conference for 1816 report the examination of members—but no special business transacted. Rev. James Norton, and Rev.

W. L. Winningham, Pastors.

March 12, 1817.

Rev. Joseph Travis, Pastor.

"On motion of Brother Travis, the case of George Warden was taken up, and the opinion of the Conference was, that the patience with which he had borne the punishment that had been inflicted on him, together with his good moral conduct being such, Brother Travis should be at liberty to receive him in Society."

November 22, 1817.

Rev. Joseph Travis, Pastor.

"The character of the mmembers being particularly inquired into, they were all found to be in good standing, except Brother Thomas Hearn. The members of the quarterly meeting included the Presiding Elder, the Pastor, Stewards, Local Deacons, Local Preachers, Exhorters, and Class Leaders. We have records of Class Leaders beginning with 1814, but the records of Class Leaders and names of members of the class begin in 1839.] Bro. Hearn "had been called before a committee on a charge of a breach of the Sabbath by starting from home with a wagon of goods on the Sabbath on business of a temporal nature. Which committee suspended him from all official duty, until the then ensuing Quarterly Conference. The case being brought before the Conference, from Bro. Hearn acknowledging himself guilty of a breach of the Sabbath, that he had thereby sinned and was truly sorry for it, and that he was truly sorry that he had in any wise criminated the committee. The Conference unanimously agreed to restore Bro. Hearn to his former standing in the church. An appeal being made by Noah Parker, from "the decision of a selected part of the Society; who, for quarreling with Bro. Yates, using improper language and getting angry," excluded him from Society, the decision of the select part of the Society was confirmed by the Conference by a unanimous vote.

Brother John H. Pearce having applied for a recommendation to be ordained a deacon, the conference unanimously agreed to recommend Bro. Pearce for that office.

Bro. John Terry also applied for a recommendation to the ensuing

annual conference to be admitted as a traveling preacher. The con-

ference unanimously agreed to recommend Bro. Terry as such.

Isham Blake having resigned or given up his stewardship, Bro. Daniel Bass was appointed in his place. Thomas Blake was appointed an additional steward, for the purpose of keeping the books. Thomas C. Blake, Sec., Wm. M. Kennedy, P. E."

June 13, 1818.

Rev. Joseph Travis, P. E., Rev. Whitman C. Hill, Pastor.

Joshua E. Lumsden, after a strict examination was licensed to preach. Thomas C. Blake was appointed to attend a meeting of the District Stewards to be held at Camp Ground in South Carolina on September 10, 1818.

This conference recommends to the Society in this place to form a

Society auxiliary to the New York Methodist Tract Society.

August 29, 1818.

"Brother Samuel P. Ashe was appointed steward in the place of Brother Alex McDonald, resigned."

July 23, 1819.

"The appealed case of John Robson was examined, and decided unanimously that the report of the committee, as recorded below, is correct, and that he be accordingly expelled from Society.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The committee appointed to examine the Books, accounts, etc., of the late firm of Pearce & Robson for the purpose of ascertaining if anything dishonest or fraudulent has been the cause of their failure in business, beg leave to report as follows: After bestowing all due attention on the subject we are glad to have it in our power to say that we believe the cause of said failure has resulted from imprudent and unfortunate speculations in property and goods that have fallen in value on their hands, and unforseen losses on shipments of produce at sea. Whether this spirit of extensive speculation be consistent with the Christian character and views is not for your committee to determine, nor will they attempt hazarding an opinion on it. At the same time, your committee rejoice to find nothing dishonest or fraudulent in the cause of the failure of said firm, as also in the case of Bro. John H. Pearce, yet they lament and greatly deplore the necessity that is laid upon them of expressing their most decided disapprobation and censure on the conduct of Bro. John Robson in the close of said business for the following reasons: It seems evident that to Bro. Robson was entrusted the keeping of the books, accounts, etc., who was able at any time (or at least should have been) to give a correct statement of their business, as such on the 22nd of May last, when called on by two of the indorsers of said firm back of whom were members of our church, to ascertain as those deeply interested, both in a temporal and a Spiritual point of view, in the state of their concerns, and to know if they were in a safe state as indorsers. They were inducted to believe from the statement and assurance of Brother Robson that there was no danger, and that they would not secure any of the indorsers or creditors to the injury of the others, but, if they failed all the creditors should fare alike, when on the 24th of said month, but two days later, when Bro. Robson has ascertained to a certainty that a failure must take place and satisfied, we presume that a deficiency in payment must ensue, he makes over and conveys away to C. H. Johnson (his brother-in-law) without the knowledge of his partner Bro. John H. Pearce, or any of his indorsers, a house and lot and other property to a considerable amount, to secure him in some debts due him, to the injury of his other creditors and indorsers.

Thus disappointing the expectations he had raised in the minds of his indorsers and disannuling the promise made to two of them on the 22nd day of May, and through them to their other creditors. And, as such, your committee is constrained, though reluctantly, and with bitterness of soul to conclude that the conduct of Bro. Robson has been unjust and fraudulent, consequently altogether inconsistent with the char-

acter of a Christian."

Signed, Thomas, C. Blake, Samuel P. Ashe, Committee. Signed, Rev. N. Tally, Pastor.

July 24, 1819.

The preacher, Mr. Tally, tried C. H. Johnson for having participated with John Robson in the fraud, he having received the property and given an antidated receipt. He was found guilty and expelled from the Society.

The Quarterly Meetings from July 1819 to March 1820 report only

routine business.]

March 30, 1820.

Rev. Joseph Travis, P. E., Rev. Hartwell Spain, Pastor.

"The appealed case of James Yates against Sam and Margaret Pearce, viz., for going to law with him, and for improper and un-Christian language, was taken up, and after giving it all due consideration, the Conference decided as follows: That they are pointedly opposed to brethren going to law with each other, and are determined to put down this un-Christian practice from among us. They therefore believe that the committee decided correctly in the case of the charges against Brother and Sister Pearce. But from their promises to live hereafter in Christian peace and fellowship with their accuser, Brother James

Yates, they have determined to continue them, the said Samuel and Margaret Pearce in the Society as members of the Methodist Episcopal Church. The meeting then adjourned to meet at the same place at 3 o'clock P. M. The Conference met agreeable to adjournment, the meeting was opened with prayer.

Present: Rev. Joseph Travis, Rev. Hartwell Spain, Rev. John H. Pearce, Daniel Bass, Samuel P. Ashe, Alex McDonald, and Thomas

C. Blake.

The case of Brother Joshua E. Lumsden, viz.—For, after having failed in business, appropriating goods and effects purchased from distant creditors, to pay off debts contracted at home; for un-Christian conduct in the business of a bill of sale—and about saying he thought it no harm to tell a little white lie to put the Sheriff off-was taken up, but before it was decided the Conference adjourned until tomorrow at nine o'clock.

March 31st. According to adjournment the Conference met and was opened with prayer as usual. The Secretary being absent, Brother Samuel P. Ashe was appointed pro tempore. The following members were present: Joseph Travis, Hartwell Spain, John H. Pearce, Daniel Bass, Samuel P. Ashe, and A. McDonald.

The character and standing of each of the members present was examined and inquired into, and after being found good and acceptable, the Conference again took up the case of Brother Joshua E. Lumsden and after due deliberation, it was determined that he be expelled as a minister, and recommended to mercy in remaining a private member of Society. The meeting then adjourned until 3 o'clock P. M.

Conference met agreeable to adjournment—was opened with prayer.

 $x \times x$

On motion of John H. Pearce to reconsider the case of Brother Joshua E. Lumsden, the Conference unanimously agreed that his case be reconsidered, it was then taken up, and finally determined that he be expelled from the ministry, but unanimously be recommended to mercy by the Conference in remaining a private member of Society.

April 1, 1820.

"A four days meeting will commence in this place on Wednesday the 28th of June next, and quarterly conference will commence the Monday previous."

September 1820-January 1821. Rev. Jeremiah Russell was Pastor

—only routine business transacted at the one meeting reported.

March 27, 1821. Meeting of Trustees.

Rev. Benjamin Rhodes, Pastor.

Present: Isham Blake, Alex McDonald, Daniel Bass, Samuel Steel, Samuel P. Ashe, G. B. Saltonstall, Beverly Rose, Edmund Blake.

"On motion of Edmund Blake, -- Samuel P. Ashe and Samuel Steel

were appointed a committee to make search for the will of old Brother Evans, consigning to the Church the land on which the church stands, together with the deed from Oliver Pearce, P. J. Tillinghast, J. J. Eggleston, Daniel Bass, and Samuel Pearce, and also the deed from Samuel The above com-Pearce for the lot on which the parsonage stands. mitted shall report on Friday the 6th day of April at the Parsonage, when a general meeting of the Trustees is required."

April 15, 1822.

"It having been mentioned that the proceedings of the trustees had been kept in rather a loose manner,—Resolved, that a book be purchased for the purpose of keeping a record of their proceedings.

Resolved, that a secretary be also appointed, whose duty it shall be to act as treasurer as well as secretary. Whereupon Beverly Rose was duly appointed to perform these duties. It was then resolved that the Secretary be requested to collect such resolutions as may be of sue from the different places where they may be found, and copy them in the record book.

August 22, 1822.

Rev. Wm. M. Kennedy, P. E., Rev. Samuel Dunwoody, Pastor.

"Brother Wm. Stanley who stood as an exhorter in Society offered to the Conference for a recommendation to the District Conference for license to preach, but after examining his case, the Conference unanimously thought him not a fit person to be licensed as an exhorter—he, of course, now stands as a private member in Society.

Brother James Hitchener also proposed to be recommended to the District Conference for license to preach—after the brethren giving his case all due consideration, they deemed it most prudent not to recommend him at present but unanimously agreed to renew his license.

[To exhort.]"

December 7, 1822.

Rev. William M. Kennedy, P. E., Rev. Samuel Dunwoody, Pastor. [Joshua E. Lumsden evidently appealed from the decision of the Quarterly Conference to the District Conference: 1

"Pee Dee District Conference.

Tabernacle Church, October 5, 1822.

Joshua E. Lumsden:-The President, presented the statement of Messrs. Russell, Pearce, and Hearne, (the committee that acted on the case of Brother Lumsden, which statement is held with the Journals of this Conference.) He was suspended from his official station in the Church. His case was closely examined by the Conference, and on motion of Robert Campbell, and seconded by Philip Keeton, Resolved

that Joshua E. Lumsden be expelled from the Methodist Episcopal Church.

Wm. M. Kennedy, Pres., I. C. Pastell, Sec.

Copy from the Journal of the Conference."

April 6, 1823.

Rev. Bond English, Pastor.

"It was moved by Brother Pearce and seconded by Brother English that Brother Jacob Lattimer's license to exhort be discontinued. After due deliberation on the subject it was unanimously thought best that they should be discontinued.

Brother James Hitchener was proposed as a candidate for recommendation to the District Conference for license to preach as a local minister. After due deliberation on the subject it was thought best that

he should not be recommended as such."

[Brother Hitchener was later, on third appeal, recommended for license.]

March 13, 1824.

"Brother Hatton [Local Preacher] formerly of the Bladen Circuit came forward, and being recommended by the Presiding Elder, his name was ordered to be entered on the Journal as a member of this Conference."

[In April 1825. Eighteen members received. They reside over the River, 14 miles from our Town.]

November 19, 1825.

Rev. James Donnelly, Pastor.

"At a late hour appeared Thomas C. Blake, and Samuel Steel, and took their seats, also, still later appeared Peleg Pearce.

Adjourned.

Wm. M. Kennedy, Pres. John H. Pearce, Sec.

February 18, 1826.

Rev. Bond English, P. E., Rev. Chas. Betts, Pastor.

"The case of Sister Sarah Lumsden, who is charged 1st with un-Christian conduct towards her husband, 2nd With sending an un-Christian note to her mother, 3rd For making certain assertions and afterwards denying them. After duly considering this case, she was found guilty of the two first charges and thereupon placed back on trial x x x and sentenced to receive a public reproof before the Conference by the President."

"The case of Bro. Lewis Hatton (who was suspended by a committee from his official standing in this church, until this Quarterly Meet-

ing Conference on the charge of being in a violent passion with an apprenticed boy, and exposing himself in that situation in the public street, and also for striking said apprenticed boy with his fist,) was then considered. And it was unanimously determined by the Conference that Brother Hatton continue suspended from his official station in the Church until the third Quarterly Meeting Conference in this Station."

March 3, 1827.

Rev. Charles Betts, P. E., Rev. Elias Sinclair, Pastor.

"It was moved and seconded and unanimously agreed to by the members present that we have a four days meeting in this place, to commence on Wednesday night the 16th of May."

May 21, 1827.

"On motion of John H. Pearce, it was agreed that a Camp Meeting be held at Maxwell's Camp Ground, on Black River, to commence on

the 26th day of July next.'

"It was moved and unanimously agreed to that Brother Sinclair preach a sermon on the subject of Sabbath Schools, and that an early day be fixed on to RE-ORGANIZE THE METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL SOCIETY, and to attach it to the Methodist Sunday School Union."

November 29, 1828.

Rev. Charles Betts, P. E., Rev. John H. Robinson, Pastor.

"On motion it was resolved that at each quarterly meeting conference the Preacher in charge—give a particular account of the number in Society—both white and colored, and that the same be entered on record."

July, 13, 1829.

Present: Rev. Charles Betts, Presiding Elder, Rev. Benj. Hoskins, Pastor, Rev. John H. Pearce—Local Eledr, Rev. John Depoe, Local Preacher, Thomas C. Blake, Henry Sadbury, John Douglas, Peleg Pearce, Mark Russell, Geo. W. McDonald, Reuben Hall, Beverly Rose.

After the routine business was transacted-the following resolution

was passed:

"On motion of the Rev. Benj. Hoskins, seconded by Bro. John Depoe, the following resolution was passed by a large majority. Whereas we have viewed, with deep regret, the demoralizing effects of sending men to Congress or the State Legislature who are either intemperate men, or who treat, or employ others to do so for electioneering purposes. We as a body resolve that we will not vote for men whom we know to be of this description, and request the preacher to recommend the private members of the Church to follow our example.

On motion of Bro. John H. Pearce, Resolved, that the above resolution be published in both the papers printed in this town, immediately."

On motion of Brother Hoskins Bro. Ruben Hall was duly appointed a steward to supply the vacancy occasioned by the removal of Bro. Samuel Steel." [Mr. Steel "sold his property here and moved to Memphis, Tenn."]

May 7, 1830. [For brevity.]

"The meeting was opened by prayer by the President. On motion B. Rose was appointed Secretary.

1. Are there any complaints? None.

2. Are there any references? Yes. The arbitrated case between J. G. Cook and E. Blake which E. Blake was dissatisfied and appealed to this conference for a new arbitration. Not granted.

3. Are there any appeals? Yes. The case of Sister Eliza Henderson. The Quarterly Conference confirmed the decision of the committee. Expelled.

What number has joined Society this quarter? One whitenineteen colored.

What number remain? 145 white-333 colored."

September 25, 1830.

Rev. Charles Betts, P. E., Rev. Malcom MacPherson, Pastor.
"3rd. Are there any appeals? Yes. The case of Patience Gilbert,
who was charged with indulging in improper tempers and words—and found guilty and expelled from the Church—was taken up, and after duly considering the same, it was decided by a large majority that the decision of the committee be confirmed.

CHAPTER IV.

1831-1840

September 25, 1830.

Rev. Charles Betts, P. E., Rev. Malcom MacPherson, Pastor. Members in good standing: 178 whites, 362 Blacks, Total 540.

"On motion of John H. Pearce, Resolved that a committee be appointed to collect money and repair the church—and that that committee consist of Rev. John H. Pearce, Beverly Rose, and Thomas C. Blake.

On motion of Bevery Rose, Resolved that a committee of three be appointed to obtain a suitable place for the Annual Conference to sit in. That committee to be the Rev. M. MacPherson, Rev. J. H. Pearce, and John H. Hall

Thomas C. Blake, Sec., Rev. Chas. Betts, P. E.

January 22, 1831.

Rev. Charles Betts, P. E., Rev Malcom MacPherson, Pastor.

John H. Pearce, John Depoe, John H. Hall, Peleg Pearce, Beverly Rose, and Geo. W. McDonald. x x x

"The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Whereas it is thought expedient to build a new House of Worship it is moved and seconded that a committee consisting of five, be appointed to fix on a proper site for such building, and that they be and are hereby directed to open a subscription for the purpose. They are hereby authorized to purchase such a site as in their judgment they shall think most suitable, and that they report to the next quarterly Conference.

John H. Hall, Beverly Rose, John H. Pearce, Thomas C. Blake, Geo. W. McDonald, were nominated by the President, and appointed as that committee."

March 5, 1831.

Rev. Nicholas Talley, P. E., Rev. Joseph Freeman, Pastor.

"On motion of Bro. Peleg Pearce, the Stewards were appointed a committee to make an estimate of the amount necessary to furnish fuel and table expenses for the family of our Pastor—and raise the funds to meet such expenses."

On motion Bro. John H. Hall was appointed a delegate to meet the other delegated stewards, to make the necessary allowance for the table

expenses of the Presiding Elder, and Bro. Thomas C. Blake was appointed to attend to the same matter, in case Bro. John H. Hall should be unable to attend.

The committee appointed at the last quarterly meeting to select a site on which to build a House of Worship reported that they had not been able to fix on a lot for that purpose as yet, the reason assigned being satisfactory further time was granted, with instructions to report at the next quarterly conference."

August 31, 1831.

"The committee which had been appointed to select a site on which to build a house of worship, in consequence of the late destructive fire in this place, [This is the only reference to the fire I've found in our records, but from, The History of the FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA, page 34:

"The dates of the completion and dedication of the building are not known. (Dr. W. E. Hill says on page 78: Just when the church building was completed, is not known, but it was certainly not before

1819. The date of the dedication is not known.)

"The following record will explain itself. It is enclosed in the book

by heavy black lines of mourning:

"On Sabbath, the 29th May, 1831, our town was visited with a most awful and unparalleled calamity. Soon after our church was dismissed a fire broke out, which in a short time, consumed nearly the whole of the town, including our church and session house" p. 105.

Fayetteville, N. C., May 29, 1831.

To the Editor of the National Gazette:

Sir:—Fayetteville is no more! This morning the sun rose upon us in its beauty, and with gladdened hearts we flocked to the churches of our God—now we are in RUINS. But two stores of all this place are standing. The rest are entirely consumed. Nothing but stacks of tottering chimneys remain to tell the place where Fayetteville was.

Except in the outskirts of the town, and in those streets which are a little off from the centre of our town, not a dwelling house remains. All the churches with the exception of the Methodist, which is distant from the centre of the town, are destroyed. The academy, the two splendid hotels, our printing offices, the two banks, the old State House, every apothecary's shop, and some of our mills are in ashes x x x as nearly as can be estimated, one hundred and five stores, independently of warehouses, dwelling houses, outhouses of various descriptions, and mills, occupying an area of about half a mile, are completely burnt up.

It is impossible to paint the heart-rending scenes which everywhere occured. Parents were inquiring for their children and children for

their parents and in every countenance reigned despair. x x x

We are now crowded together in the outskirts of the town, and many last night slept in the open air. The sufferings of our people must be immense; some of our most wealthy citizens are stript of all their property, and have not where to lay their heads. Not even their clothes were saved. Though, so far as can be ascertained no lives were lost, yet so exhausted and faint were many that they threw themselves down upon whatever chanced to be near them, and others fell down in the street, and were carried home. We learn that numbers are sick; and to complete our misfortunes, all our medicine shops and medicine is destroyed. x x x

The private buildings destroyed, about six hundred—a very small portion of the property was insured. The loss on this occasion has been variously estimated, from a million to a million and a half dollars."

Sympathy was expressed "from every part of our country" in liberal gifts (about \$100,000.) and New York merchants extended credit to

our merchants and contributed liberally to the relief fund.

The above excerpts are made from the graphic accounts of the fire of 1831 as found in The History of the First Presbyterian Church in Fayetteville, by permission], asked and obtained a discharge from consideration of that matter a standing committee was appointed to purchase a lot when, in their opinion, it should be advisable. John H. Pearce, John H. Hall, and Beverly Rose were appointed."

November 26, 1831.

Rev. Nicholas Talley, P. E., Rev. Josiah Freeman, Pastor.

No. 1. Are there any complaints? Yes. Brother Freeman's complaint of great neglect of attention in the Stewards and Leaders to their stated meetings during the year. The deficient members present promised amendment, and their apologies were accepted."

[Only John H. Hall and John H. Pearce attended the four meetings.]

April 2, 1832.

Rev. Nicholas Talley, P. E., Rev. Benjamin H. Capers, Pastor.

"At a meeting of the Trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Fayetteville: Present: John H. Pearce, Isham Blake, Sr., Peleg Pearce, Geo. W. McDonald, Thomas C. Blake, Edmund Blake, and John H. Hall. The meeting was called for the purpose of obtaining a title for a lot, bought by a committee appointed by the quarterly Conference for that purpose, and for the further purpose of devising ways and means to pay for said lot, and for the erection of a suitable church, parsonage, and other improvements thereon. John H. Hall was appointed treasurer to receive and disburse such sums of money as may be collected for the above purpose, and also to give his note on behalf of the Board of Trustees to the United States Bank for one thousand dollars, the amount paid for said church lot, and to attend to renewing said note. It was agreed that the Church should be built fifty by seventy feet,

unless it should be thought necessary hereafter to curtail or enlarge the size.

Beverly Rose, Isham Blake, Sr., John H. Pearce, and Rev. Benjamin H. Capers were appointed a committee for the purpose of soliciting contributions to pay for the above lot, erect the buildings and other improvements thereon."

September 29, 1832.

Rev. Benjamin H. Capers, Pastor.

New members received for the quarter—Whites 56, Blacks 162. Total new members 218.

April 1, 1833.

"Brother John H. Hall was appointed a delegate, to meet with the other delegated stewards at Liberty Chapel, near Harleysville, S. C., to take into consideration the temporal concerns of the Church in FAY-ETTEVILLE DISTRICT for the present year."

[From 1808 to 1813 Fayetteville church was on the Camden District. From 1813 to 1825 it was on the Pee Dee District. In 1825 the Fayetteville District was formed, and, though changes have been made, it

continues to be the Fayetteville District.

August 10, 1833.

Rev. William Crook, Pastor.

"Resolved—On motion of Rev. Wm. Crook, that a committee of three persons be appointed to unite with Brother McCorquodale and a committee of the Deep River circuit to select a suitable place near Fayetteville to hold a camp meeting. The following persons were duly appointed by the chair, to be that committee, viz: Rev. Wm. Crook, Peyton G. Bowman, and G. W. McDonald."

November 23, 1833.

"No. 6. What is the state of the Sabbath School?

The two Sabbath Schools in Fayetteville, although not in so flourishing a condition as desired, nevertheless we hope are improving. A few who have come into the School this year have made a profession of religion. There has been no money received either for the support of missions, or for the Bible Tract Society, or for the Sunday School Societies, but only for the Sunday School definitely in the supply of such books as were necessary. The reason for this deficiency has been owing to the great want of money to build a church, which is now on hand, in consequence of this, together with other expenditures, they have felt unable to do anything the present year for these Societies. 2 Sunday Schools, 4 Superintendents, 19 Teachers, 112 Scholars, 183 Books in the Library."

W. Crook, Pastor.

[There are no explanations in the record, but it is probable that the second school is the one held in the first school room on the lot on which Hay Street Church now stands. A few remember it as it finally served the primary department. It was at the rear of the Sunday School room and a platform at floor level made it easy for the children to reach it from the main room.]

In 1832—33 both Stewards and Trustees were busy collecting money to pay for the new church. They wrote to Mr. Talley, P. E., at Philadelphia to try to get help. No report from him. They sent the Pastor, Rev. B. H. Capers, "on a tour to the South," in the fourth quarter

1832, and he secured \$80.71 by January 1833.

May 27, 1833.

Trustees.

"On motion it was agreed that the old Church be sold, so as not to be delivered until the new Church is in a situation to be occupied. John H. Hall, Peleg Pearce, Geo. W. McDonald, T. C. Blake, and Edmund Blake voted in favor of the sale, and Sampson Boon entered protest against the motion."

June 26, 1833. Trustees.

"On motion by John H. Pearce, the building committee [Beverly Rose, Isham Blake, John H. Pearce, and Rev. Benjamin H. Capers,] were instructed to make such alterations and additions to the original plan of the church, as they may think proper, the unanimous opinion of all present was given."

March 22, 1834.

Rev. Samuel W. Capers, Pastor.

"The Stewards were appointed to make an allowance for the table expenses of the Pastor.

Question by the Presiding Elder: Shall there be a four days meet-

ing at this station?

Unanimously agreed that there shall be a four days meeting to com-

mence on the 11th of June.

Shall there be a camp meeting at Beaver Creek, near Fayetteville, in the course of the present summer? Agreed that there shall be, but the time to be appointed hereafter."

September 13, 1834.

Rev. Nicholas Talley, P. E., Rev. Samuel W. Capers, Pastor.

Rev. John H. Pearce, John Depoe, Peleg Pearce, Geo. W. McDonald, Fountain Lain, C. T. Gardner, Beverly Rose, Thomas C. Blake.

"On motion by T. C. Blake, seconded by C. T. Gardner, that the Resolution, moved by Rev. Benjamin Hoskins and seconded by Rev.

John Depoe, and passed in the Quarterly Conference in this place 13 of July, 1829, be repealed. And on the question being taken it was decided in the negative, the mover and seconder only voting for it."

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"The next quarterly meeting for this station will be held on the 29th and 30th of November next. After a short, but interesting, ac count of the state of the different circuits and stations in this District by the President—the meeting adjourned.

Thomas C. Blake, Sec. Nicholas Talley, P. E."

June 5, 1834. Trustees.

"On motion it was agreed that a note be made payable at the Bank of Cape Fear for six hundred dollars to finish the Church."

August 22, 1834. Trustees.

"A motion was made to borrow \$600. with a note at the Bank by six of the Trustees, with which Bro. Hall agreed to finish the church without further aid—till it could be obtained—in a few weeks, but Bro. McDonald and Bro. Lain refused to be parties to said note, not

viewing church a sufficient security."

[Their estimates fell short of cost—or their "additions to original plans called for more and more money!] A motion was made by John H. Hall, seconded by Thomas C. Blake, that when the gallery floor of the new church is laid, and the breastwork of gallery is finished, and the pulpit made (not necessary to be painted) the building committee be authorized, to sell the old church, and give possession in four weeks. The motion was carried unanimously."

[Evidently the Trustees met only when called to transact business. The next meeting after the one on August 22, 1834, was on March

23, 1835.7

March 23, 1835. Trustees.

"A communication was received from the Trustees of the Fayette-ville Female Classical School proposing to lease for ten years a part of the church lot, and on the motion of J. H. Hall it was resolved that the land be leased to them, and Thos. C. Blake and J. H. Hall were appointed a committee to wait upon said Trustees and make such arrangements as they may think best, but not to lease the ground for less than twelve dollars per year."

May 10, 1835. Trustees.

"Fountain Lain and Edward Blake, the committee appointed [no other record of the appointment] to examine Hall & Johnson's account, reported the account correct. The report was received, and a balance of \$2,080.03 acknowledged by the above committee signing a certificate to that effect."

June 4, 1835. Trustees.

"On motion John H. Hall, and Thomas C. Blake were appointed to wait on the Ladies of the Female Working Society, and offer them the privilege of draping, cushioning, etc., etc., the pulpit of the new Church. On motion Fountain Lain was appointed with John H. Pearce,

to superintend the washing of the church windows."

[There is no date given in the records of the Trustees or of the Quarterly Conferences—the records available to the compiler—of the first services conducted in the new Church—nor of the dedication of the Church. From the records—and from the fact that in 1908 the picture of the Church built at THIS TIME—1832—1835—bears the dates "1834—1908" as its time of service—we conclude that the first services were held in the then unfinished building on Hay Street sometime in October 1834. No definite date is given. We know, however, from Mrs. John Steel that Mr. Hiram Whaley said that the members of the Methodist Episcopal Church, both white and colored, marched, from the "neat little Chapel costing \$1,200." built in 1812 on Cool Spring Street, to the new Church building on Hay Street and made it a time of great rejoicing. He marched with them.]

June 23, 1835.

"On motion it was ordered that money collected at the dedication of the Church, be appropriated to enclosing the Church lot with such a fence as the building committee may deem most suitable."

December 15, 1835. Trustees.

"On motion of John H. Hall it was ordered that the vestibule of the Church be fitted up, a curtain put to the window over the pulpit, the inner door frames be covered with baize, and three chairs and a table got for the altar.

On motion of Edmund Blake a committee was appointed to carry the above resolutions into effect by raising funds by subscription, buying the articles and getting the work done. Brothers Hall and Lain

volunteered their services as a committee."

February 16, 1838.

"On motion of J. H. Pearce that J. H. Hall and J. G. Cook be authorized to expend the remaining funds of the DEDICATION COLLECTION in seating the School Room, and other contingencies about the Church."

April 2, 1839. Trustees.

"Requested that Bro. James G. Cook inquire what the Church can be insured for, and report to the meeting to be held at the School Room on Tuesday night the 9th instant."

A meeting of the Trustees of the M. E. Church on Tuesday 11th of

February 1840. "James G. Cook, one of the committee appointed to settle the debt of the Church reported that the debt for building the new Church is all settled."

"On motion, Resolved that hereafter the Ladies and Gentlemen be seated on either side—say enter at either door, and the Ladies take the

right hand and the Gentlemen the left."

[Having followed the Trustees' reports concerning the new Church the Stewards evidently left the building of the Church entirely in the hands of the Trustees and make no reference to it after having appointed a committee to buy a suitable lot and build a Church, parsonage, and other improvements—we will take up records of quarterly Conference reports again.]

June 26, 1835.

Rev. Allen Hamby, P. E., Rev. Tracy R. Walsh, Pastor.

"On motion, resolved that in the opinion of this Conference; RE-LIGIOUS FAIRS, not under the sanction of the Church, are inadmissible, and productive of division among Brethren—and that Brother Walsh be requested to inform the first Directress of the Ladies Sewing Society of the passage of this resolution after considerable discussion—the resolution passed by a respectable majority."

March 15, 1836.

Rev. Charles Betts, P. E., Rev. T. R. Walsh, Pastor.

Rev. John H. Pearce, John H. Hale, Henry B. Sedberry, Peleg Pearce, A. J. Erambert, James Mahoney.

"On motion of Bro. Walsh, Resolved, We, the members of the Fayetteville Quarterly Conference here in Fayetteville, March 12, 1836, feeling the importance of some very effective means being taken by our Church for the suppression of the use of Ardent Spirits highly approve of the contemplated measure of the General Conference in restoring the clause in our Discipline on that subject to its original spirit and letter, which interdicts the making, vending or using ardent spirits—except in cases of extreme necessity. The question was put and carried by a majority of the members."

December 24, 1836.

Rev. T. R. Walsh, Pastor.

The Sunday School report: ONE Superintendent; twelve Teachers; 101 scholars. The school which existed in Campbellton and which has been frequently renewed, has been altogether discontinued. It is a source of regret that no more interest is felt on this subject among the members of the Church generally than really exists, but it is a source of rejoicing that there are still to be found those who consider this interest sacred—and feel resolved to sustain it. The Conference agreed

to petition the South Carolina Annual Conference to hold its next session in this place."

July 25, 1837.

Rev. A. M. McCorquodale, Pastor.

Referred:

"C. T. G. for selling and delivering two turkeys on Sunday, found guilty of unintentional Sabbath breaking, being by committee (S. Boon, J. G. Cook, and J. Weisager, to be insufficient to exclude him from Society. He should be reproved, and on acknowledgment, be forgiven, The preacher in charge differed and referred the case to the Conference. Brother G. appeared and stated the case at length and expressed much sorrow for the act. It was moved and seconded and carried, 6 to 4, that Brother G. be forgiven and the Preacher in charge make a full statement of the case in Society meeting."

March 24, 1838.

Rev. Charles Betts, P. E., Rev. James Stacy, Pastor.

"The following resolutions were adopted unanimously, with the exception of the third resolution which was objected to by T. C. Blake and J. G. Cook.

1st. Resolved, that we have seen with deep regret an account of the recent duel which took place at the City of Washington between

two members of Congress.

2nd. Resolved, that dueling is contrary to the Laws of God and degrading to the human character, extremely sinful under any circumstances, but, if possible, much more reprehensible when resorted to by those HIGH IN AUTHORITY, and especially men who have been selected to make Laws for the Government of our common Country.

3rd. Resolved, That viewing this matter in the above light we PLEDGE oursives not to support or aid in the election of any man

favorable to dueling.

4th. Resolved, that a copy of these Resolutions be handed to the Rev. Charles Betts, P. E., of this District, and that he be requested to use his influence on this District, to get at each quarterly meeting, similar resolutions passed, the object of which is to put a stop to this horrible practice.

5th. Resolved, that a copy of the above resolutions be signed by the President and Secretary and furnished to the Editors of the papers printed in this town, and also to the Editor of the Christian Advocate, and Journal of New York, the Western Christian Advocate, and to the

Southern Christian Advocate, Charleston.

J. H. Hall, Sec. Charles Betts, P. E." June 2, 1838.

"Whereas a circular letter from the Brethren in Charleston, S. C., soliciting aid for rebuilding our Church in that city was sent to Brother Stacy, on motion, resolved that Brother Stacy read to the congregation on Sunday night next the circular letter; and make such remarks as he may think appropriate, and that cards be circulated through the congregation for the purpose of raising funds for that object.

J. A. Stacy, Pastor, Thomas C. Blake, Sec.

December 29, 1838.

"Report of the Sabbath School.

The present year has been one of prosperity for the School. That branch of the School which meets in Campbellton suspended its operations during the winter—so there is no report. In the Fayetteville School there are now; 1 Superintendent, 14 teachers, 101 scholars, 220 volumes in the Library. The average attendance of the scholars is computed at 62. May Heaven's blessings rest on the institution.

On motion of James G. Cook seconded by Arch McLauchlin, Resolved, unanimously, that we petition the next Annual Conference to hold its session for 1840 in this place."

June 3, 1839.

Rev. Bond English, P. E., Rev. James Stacy, Pastor.

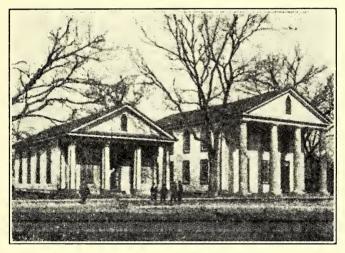
"Brother James G. Cook offered a preamble and resolution concerning the Centenary Collection, and being called away on business, asked

and obtained leave of absence.

Resolved, that we approve of the resolution passed by the Convention at Augusta respecting the Centenary, and will on our part do what we can on the subject, and recommend it to the congregation that attends our Church to do the same. Rev. James Stacy, Thomas C. Blake, and Beverly Rose were then appointed a committee to make the necessary arrangements and to receive contributions."

August 17, 1839.

"Rev. John H. Pearce, in consequence of his age and infirmity, handed in his resignation as steward. On motion of Brother Stacy-Resolve that Brother Pearce's resignation be accepted, and that the thanks of the Conference in behalf of the Church be tendered to Brother Pearce for his past services. Edmund J. Lilly was nominated and appointed steward in the place of Brother Pearce, resigned."



Fayetteville Observer, Tuesday evening, June 23, 1835

New Methodist Church

"The large and handsome new building, erected by this denomination in this place; has been completed and was dedicated on Sunday the 13th instant, on which occasion Divine service was performed in it for the first time."



1839

The Centenary of Methodism was celebrated in Hay Street Church and a collection was taken amounting to \$451.00 cash and subscriptions. One fifth went to Missions, two fifths went for Education, under the directed of the South Carolina Conference, [of which the Fayetteville District was a part for many years] and two fifths to the Book Concern in Charleston.

[Since 1839 is the first time we find a record of the Church members—I'll copy it as it is in the record—by classes. There were Class Leaders as far back as 1814, but this is the first list of members.]

"Rev. Bond English, P. E., Rev. James Stacy, Pastor.
"Who have been admitted on trial this year? (1839)

Proper names: Charles R. Jones, Mary Brame, Sarah Jones, James Kennedy, Esther Raboteau, Nancy Mitchell, Charlotte McKinnon, Roland Hill Carter, E. A. Carter, Catherine Mills, J. Russell, Eliza G. Fletcher, Eliza Ann Elam, Mary E. Sedberry, Martha Houston, Isabella Fletcher, Eliza Jane Bebee, Eugenia E. Potter, Charlotte Toomer, Wm. T. Frizelle, Mary L. Toomer.

Who have died this year?

James Kennedy.

Who have removed?

Helen Hartman, Martha Hartman, Sibella Johnson, Thomas W. Blake, Wm. S. Mullin, Mary Brame, Eliza Taylor, John Hooker, Eliza McLean, Mary Parker, Sarah S. Webster, Margaret Webster, Rachel Williams.

Who have been expelled?

Threesa Calder. Edward Webster, eloped, censured.

1839

Members of the M. E. Church, in Fayetteville, N. C.

Class No. 1. John H. Hall, Leader; Fountain Lain, Mary Blake, Ann Rose, Nelly Gates, Martha P. Flack, Charlotte Elam, Elizabeth Yates, Martha Erambert, Margaret McKenzie, Hannah Murchison, Mary L. Adkins, Grace Burroughs, Elizabeth Ann Anderson, Sarah C. Terry, Rozilla Clark, Moseley Terry, Elizabeth Treadaway, Sarah Yarborough, Cecelia Newby, Sarah Mitchel, Clarissa Mitchel.

Class No. 2. Beverly Rose, Leader; Canon Cason, John Miller, Mary Widdifield, Martha T. Sedberry, Lucy A. Cole, Charles T. Gardner, Rebecca C. Gardner, Jackson Woodward, Mary L. Toomer, Isaac Clark, Delila Clark, Wm. Widdifield, J. R. Russel, Margaret Crosby,

Eliza McDonald.

Class No. 3. T. C. Blake, Leader; Wm. K. Blake, Thomas P. Gill, John F. Lain, Wm. T. Frizelle, Gifford Yates, Eliza C. Blake, Eliza S. Blake, Helen P. Lain, Annabella Cook, Ann E. Bell, Mary S. Pearce,

Caroline Miller, Anna Jane Yates, Eugenia E. Potter.

Class No. 4. Rev. John Depoe, Leader; Gilly Depoe, Mary Jones, Ann Adams, Mary Frizelle, Ann Johnson, Sarah Vann, Ann E. Nelson,

Clarissa Stimson, Cinthia Mills.

Class No. 5. Henry Sedberry, Owen Houston, Hardy Watson, Wm. Lumsden, Wm. Cade, Sarah McLauchlin, Sr., Sarah McLauchlin, Jr., Catherine Houston, Ann Calder, Elizabeth Douglas, Eliza Nixon, Elizabeth Palmer, Margaret Calder, Rebecca Watson, Chloa McCorquodale, Elizabeth McClemmon, Eliza Douglas, Mary Nixon, Delia Jones, Edward Russel, Jane Tomkins, Elizabeth Cade, Eliza Jane Beebe.

Class No. 10. James G. Cook, Leader; John Lumsden, James Kirkpatrick, Mary Kirkpatrick, Jonathan Evans, E. Frances Hall, Eliza Stewart, Frances Mitchel, Frances Pearce, Mary Hubbard, Nancy Russ, Eliza McMasters, Sarah Lumsden, Maria Evans, Mary Miller, James S. Grant, James Mitchel, Rev. J. A. Pearce, Edward Yarboro, Eliza-

beth Dukes, John McKinnon.

Class No. 7. Archibald McLauchlin, Leader; William Williamson, Joshua Whaley, Sarah Cade, Eliza Lumsden, Mary Fletcher, Sr., Mary Fletcher, Jr., Jane Evans, Winnefred Porch, Ann M. Whaley, Lydia H. Baldwin, Eliza Williamson, Catherine Sundy, Caroline Kelley, Molsey Leonard, Elizabeth Williamson, James Cain, Exhorter; Ann Cain, Rowland Hill Carter, E. A. Carter, Eliza G. Fletcher, Eliza Ann Elam, Mary E. Sedberry, Martha Houston, Isabella Fletcher.

Class No. 8. Geo. W. McDonald, Leader; John W. Wissagor, Nathan Sikes, Calvin Davis, Sarah Davis, Mary Sikes, Marinda Wis-

sagor, Catherine Wissagor.

Class No. 9. A. J. Erambert, Martha Newberry, Athenia Mullins, Edmund J. Lilly, Peter P. Johnson, Augusta W. Steel, Alexander Mc-Lauchlin, Sampson Boon, Ann Boon, Margaret Boon, Mary F. Blake,

Jane A. Steel, James C. Mullins.

Class No. 10. Peleg Pearce, Leader; Clarissa Howell, Mary E. Pearce, Winnefred Johnson, Eleanor Surls (country) Mary Belile, Nancy Gill, Elizabeth G. Webster, Eliza Parker, Epsey Parker, Mary Surls, Nancy Warren, Elizabeth Mounts, Mary Gates, Ann M. Hargrove, Elizabeth Moshaw, Jane Singletary, Ann Pemberton.

Number in Society at the close of 1839, 169 whites.

Official Members: John H. Pearce, Local Elder; John Depoe, Local Deacon.

Stewards: Thomas C. Blake, Beverly Rose, Arch McLauchlin, Fountain Lain, George W. McDonald, Peleg Pearce, Edmund J. Lilly.

Trustees: John H. Pearce, John H. Hall, Thomas C. Blake, Sampson Boon, Peleg Pearce, George W. McDonald, Fountain Lain, James G. Cook, Arch McLauchlin.

Report of the Sabbath School November 2, 1839.

1 Superintendent, 1 Assistant Superintendent, 18 Teachers, 130 Scholars.

Five of the scholars have joined the Church during the year.

CHAPTER V.

August 1, 1840.

Rev. Bond English, P. E., Rev. Samuel Leard, Pastor.

"Brother Fountain Lain resigned as steward in consequence of ill

health. Brother John H. Hall was appointed in his place.

There was no third quarterly meeting conference held for this Station. Brother English, the Presiding Elder, was a member of the General Conference and could not attend."

Thomas C. Blake, Rec. Sec.

April 1, 1841. Trustees.

Rev. H. A. C. Walker, P. E., Rev. C. S. Walker, Pastor.

"On motion it was resolved that it is expedient to make an effort the present year to build a parsonage for this station.

A motion to build a parsonage on the Church lot was lost. There was an effort to build a parsonage on the Hill."

September 18, 1841.

"On motion of B. Rose a committee to consist of Bro. Mark Russo" Peleg Pearce, and E. J. Lilly, was appointed to examine the scholars of the Sabbath School, and report at the next quarterly Meeting Conference the state of the schools, its general improvement and progress of the csholars in their studies."

April 16, 1842.

Rev. J. B. Anthony, Pastor.

"On motion of H. B. Sedberry a committee of three stewards was appointed to make an estimate of what shall be allowed for table expenses, house rent, fuel, etc., for the Preacher. Beverly Rose, A. Mc-Lauchlin, and Thomas C. Blake are that committee.

On motion of Beverly Rose, Resolved by the Quarterly Conference that we adopt the plan of finances recommended by the Missionary Society at New York, and recommend it to the adoption of the Church in

this place."

June 18, 1842.

"On motion of Brother Anthony, Resolved that a committee of two be appointed to arrange a constitution for our Missionary Society—Whereupon the Chair appointed Rev. J. B. Anthony and Rev. John H. Pearce said committee.

July 8, 1843.

Rev. Bond English, Pastor.

"The first case, which had been laid over, was taken up, to wit, a complaint preferred by Brother English against Brother John H. Pearce for advancing some peculiar views in his sermons. The following resolutions were adopted. 1st, Resolved that in view of this quarterly Meeting Conference the doctrine preached by the Rev. John H. Pearce recently fixing the year 1843 as the time for the end of the world and the doctrine growing out of it are contrary to the Bible and the Discipline of the M. E. Church,

2nd, Resolved that Brother Pearce be affectionately requested to de-

sist from promulgating the above doctrine."

September 30, 1843.

"The Sabbath School No. 1, has 1 Superintendent., 17 Teachers, 106 Scholars. The average attendance is about 70 scholars. The attendance of some of the teachers is not so faithful and punctual as could be wished. x x x The Superintendent of School No. 2 reports favorably of its condition, though his having so recently been appointed to that station, can report nothing definitely."

December 12, 1843. Trustees.

"On motion of J. H. Pearce, J. H. Hall is a committee to fix the stove by Sunday next.

On motion of J. H. Hall, the Trustees have resolved that the Church

is to be used only for religious purposes."

February 19, 1844. Trustees.

"A motion made by A. W. Steel to build a parsonage on the Church lot was put and lost by the following persons voting:

Nay-J. H. Hall, Thomas C. Blake, A. McLauchlin, B. Rose.

Aye-E. J. Lilly, A. W. Steel, S. Boon."

April 6, 1844. Trustees.

Rev. David Derrick, P. E., Rev. Colvin Murchison, Pastor.

"On motion A. McLauchlin, T. C. Blake and S. Boon are appointed to take the deed for the Parsonage lot [known as the Cain house and lot'] and are authorized to employ counsel to have it perfected.

On motion of A. W. Steel an appropriation of \$125, was to be ap-

plied to make additions to the parsonage—when collected."

July 23, 1844. Trustees.

"On motion E. J. Lilly and A. W. Steel were appointed to collect

subscriptions due for the parsonage lot, and after reserving \$125. for improvements, to pay any balance on the notes given for the parsonage lot."

September 20, 1844.

"On motion of Rev. Mark Russel a committee of three was appointed by the President to draft resolutions expressing our views on the action of the late General Conference in New York. Rev. M. Russell, Thomas C. Blake and John H. Hall were appointed said committee. On motion Rev. C. Murchison was added to the committee. Adjourned to meet at three o'clock in the afternoon."

"The Conference met according to adjournment.

Present: Rev. D. Derrick, P. E., Rev. Colvin Murchison, Pastor, Rev. M. Russell, Rev. John Depoe, J. H. Hall, H. B. Sedberry, Thomas Mitchell, Thomas C. Blake, A. McLauchlin, A. W. Steel, Beverly Rose, W. Lumsden, J. Cain, C. T. Gardner, G. W. McDonald, E. J. Lilly.

"It was moved and seconded that the committee (appointed yesterday to draft resolutions expressing the sense of this Conference relative to the proceedings of the late General Conference) make their report. Whereupon the committee submitted the following report:

Resolved 1st, That it is the opinion of this Quarterly Conference that the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church have no power delegated to them by the Discipline or General Rules of the Church to interfere with State institutions, and much less the internal regulations of families, or to legislate in any manner, on the subject of slavery as it exists in the Southern States.

This motion passed unanimously.

Resolved 2nd, That we exceedingly regret that the majority of the late General Conference felt it their duty virtually to depose our beloved Bishop Andrew, simply for his connection with slavery. [Bishop Andrew married a Miss McFarlane, in Charleston, S. C. Mrs. McFarlane died and bequeathed a Negro boy to Mrs. Andrew. She died, without a will, and by law the boy became the legal property of her husband, Bishop Andrew. South Carolina did not allow emancipation and Bishop Andrew had to care for the boy. An old woman had left a Negro girl in his care until she reached the age of nineteen, then if she wished, she was to be sent to Liberia. She refused absolutely to cross the ocean. Nominally she was the property of Bishop Andrew—in reality she was not.

He married as his second wife, a lady who possessed slaves. In order that he might have no responsibility from this property, he secured them to his wife by a deed of trust, and would willingly have emancipated them but the laws of Georgia imperatively forbade it.' From The Illustrated History of Methodism.] Yet Christian charity forbids our indulging in any unkind feelings towards the majority of any one

of the bench of Bishops, and should Providence throw them among us we would welcome them to our houses.

This resolution passed by a vote of 11 to 4. Rev. Mark Russell, Charles T. Gardner, A. W. Steel and E. J. Lilly voting in the negative.

Resolved 3rd, That we approve of the course pursued by the Southern delegation in the late General Conference in protesting against the resolution passed by the majority of that body, in the action had on the subject of slavery in the case of Bishop Andrews. This resolution passed unanimously.

Resolved 4th, That we disapprove of any immediate action for the purpose of forming a separate organization of the Southern portion of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and that we hope our present difficulties will be settled without a separation.

This resolution passed 11 to 4. Rev. Mark Russell, C. T. Gardner, A. W. Steel and E. J. Lilly voting in the negative.

Resolved 5th, That a calm and patient investigation coupled with that "charity which suffereth long and hopeth all things" would likely do much towards calming the present excitement, we would with all due deference to the opinions of others, recommend a suspension of all further action on the subject of the division of the Church until our next General Conference.

This resolution passed 10 to 5. Rev. Mark Russell, C. T. Gardner, Beverly Rose, A. W. Steel and E. J. Lilly voting nay.

Resolved 6th, That we do most affectionately advise a resort to fasting and much prayer to God for Divine aid, in accomplishing so desirable an object as the amicable and proper settlement of all our present difficulties satisfactorily both to the North and South.

Passed unanimously.

Resolved 7th, That we do most sincerely deplore the spirit of bitterness and unkindness that seems to prevade our religious newspapers in the discussion of those subjects on which they differ.

Passed 14 to 1. Rev. M. Russell voting in the negative.

Resolved 8th, That we do earnestly intreat our Elders and ministers for the sake of the honor of our holy religion and the prosperity of the Church of Christ, which He bought with his own blood, to cultivate a spirit of kindness and forbearance towards those with whom they may differ.

Forbearance has not ceased to be a virtue." Passed unanimously."

January 25, 1845.

Rev. James Stacy, P. E., Rev. H. H. Durant, Pastor.

"On motion of J. H. Hall, Resolved, that this Conference recom-

mend to the Leaders to collect from their members the sum of one cent or more, per week, for missionary purposes; to be paid over quarterly to the Preacher in charge.

On motion of Bro. Durant, Resolved, that this Conference appoint a committee of three, to take into consideration the expediency of establishing a school in this vicinity under the patronage of the M. E. Church, also with full power to act in the premises, and to report to the next quarterly Conference. John H. Hall, Thomas C. Blake, and E. J. Lilly were appointed, and on motion Rev. H. H. Durant was added to the committee."

May 19, 1845.

"On motion of Rev. H. H. Durant, Resolved that a committee of seven be appointed to be called the committee on Missions.

The following brethren constitute said committee: Thomas W. Blake, Hector McMillan, Sampson Boon, Jackson Woodward, John C. Thompson, Rev. Mark Russell, and Thomas Mitchell.

"On motion of J. H. Hall, Resolved that the Trustees of the Asbury School make a written report to each Quarterly Meeting Conference, of the condition of said school, the fourth report to embrace the general state of the school for the year."

August 12, 1845. Trustees.

'On motion E. J. Lilly, Thomas W. Blake, and A. W. Steel were appointed a committee on repairs of the Parsonage, painting the Church, and raising funds for paying expenses of the same, preparatory to the meeting of Conference."

[The Annual Conference met in Hay Street Church, beginning Dec. 10, 1845, with Bishop James Osgood Andrew presiding, and P. A. M. Williams, Sec. From the General Minutes. There is no mention of the meeting in our Church records.]

November 3, 1845.

"Report of the Asbury School, Fayetteville, N. C.

The Trustees of the Asbury School beg leave to report as follows: The School opened on March third by Miss M. S. Pearce, and continued to July 26. The amount of tuition \$86.66. Paid Miss Pearce \$21. Due her \$65.66. Amount on hand \$11.20.

The School was again opened by Mrs. Rabotean on the 28th day of July, and has continued to this time, and is to continue to the middle of December at the compensation of \$100. per session of five and a half months.

The School while taught by Miss Pearce was quite flourishing having some fifty pupils. [But not one fourth of the tuition was paid! The Donaldson Academy was, evidently then, and until the Graded School

was started 1878 with Alexander Graham as Superintendent, able to care for the needs of the town. The Fayetteville High School is named for Alexander Graham.

The Donaldson Academy was "non-sectarian," and while "the Trustees were appointed by the Fayetteville Presbytery (Robert Donaldson, a Presbyterian gave the property for a school) the Church never owned the property." Dr. W. E. Hill in The History of the First Presbyterian Church, p. 76.]

It is now in a healthy state. We suppose 20 to 30 scholars attend. "On motion of Arch McLauchlin, Resolved that the Trustees of the Asbury School make an effort to raise funds to support the school.

The resignation of Thomas C. Blake as trustee of Asbury School was handed in and accepted and A. McLauchlin was appointed in his place."

E. J. Lilly, Sec. Jas. Stacy, P. E.

January 12, 1846.

Rev. A. M. Shipp, and Rev. Wm. G. Connor, Pastors.

The Trustees of the Asbury School presented their report as follows: That the School was continued to the 2nd of January 1846—four and one-half months (including a vacation of two months), they further report that Miss Mary Pearce's claim has been paid.

Signed, E. J. Lilly, Sec.

A majority of the committee appointed to inquire into the expediency of continuing the Asbury School, report as follows: That it is not expedient at the present time to continue said school.

On the adoption of which report the vote stood as follows:

Rev. A. M. Shipp, excused.

Thomas C. Blake, in favor of adoption.

Beverly Rose, in favor of adoption.

John H. Hall, against adoption.

E. J. Lilly, in favor of adoption.

J. G. Yates, in favor of adoption.

A. W. Steel, in favor of adoption."

July 24, 1846.

"On motion, resolved that it is the sense of this Conference that it is proper to form a Sabbath School among the Colored People, that they may receive religious instruction."

December 1, 1846.

Report of committee appointed in July.

"One Superintendent, one Teacher and one hundred and five colored colored scholars were reported."

"On motion, resolved that there be a missionary society formed, connected with this Church, Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the South Carolina Conference, and that a committee of three be appointed to submit a constitution.

Brothers Connor, Hall, and Blake were appointed a committee for

March 16, 1847.

"There are two schools in operation, one white and one colored. x x The school for colored children is superintended and taught exclusively by the Pastor. The attendance is not very good, but those who have attended have made much progress, having learned most of Bishop Caper's Catechism, Apostles' Creed, The Commandments, etc. We call the attention of this Conference to its interest especially.

The committee appointed to prepare a constitution for the Missionary Society presented a form which, after various alterations and amend-

ments, was adopted."

November 20, 1847.

"On motion, resolved that A. W. Steel and E. J. Lilly be a committee to sell 200 feet by 75 feet of the lot attached to the Church for a sum not less than \$400.

August 12, 1848.

Rev. H. M. Mood, Pastor.

"On motion of Brother Hall a committee was appointed to memorialize the Legislature in regard to the manner of securing Church property in North Carolina."

November 13, 1848.

"Brother Thomas Mitchell asked for and received a renewal of his license as a Local Preacher. He also asked for and received, unanimously, a recommendation to the Annual Conference for license as traveling preacher. Brother Sebastian Arey applied for and received a renewal of his license to exhort.

The character of Brother John Depoe, Local Deacon, was examined and passed."

February 3, 1849.

Rev. Dennis J. Simmons, Pastor.

"Brother Henry B. Sedberry was nominated and unanimously elected steward to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of Brother Charles T. Gardner." November 5, 1849.

"There is one School with a respectable number of scholars, but not so prosperous as it might be, in consequence of the want of punctuality of many of the teachers."

First Quarterly Meeting 1850.

Rev. C. H. Pritchard, Pastor.

"On motion of Rev. Mark Russell the following resolution was unanimously passed: Resolved by the Quarterly Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, in Fayetteville, that in view of the present agitated state of the Country, it is the duty of the Church in these United States to make special prayer to Almighty God that he would interpose in behalf of our Country and overrule all things connected with its interests as would be most cinducive to his glory."

January 8, 1850 Trustees.

"On motion of J. H. Hall it was unanimously resolved that the Parsonage be painted inside and out.

On motion a committee of two donsisting of E. J. Lilly and A. W. Steel was appointed to make a contract for the work and have same done forthwith.

The following amounts were subscribed for the purpose: J. H. Hall, \$10.; A. W. Steel, \$10.; E. J. Lilly, \$10.; H. B. Sedberry, \$5.; P. S. Shemwell, \$5.; B. Rose, \$3.; G. W. McDonald, \$2.; A. M. McLauchlin, \$5. Total \$50.

July 29, 1850.

"On motion A. McLauchlin and H. H. Depoe were appointed a committee to organize a Sabbath School in Campbellton under the auspices of the M. E. Church, South."

December 28, 1852. Trustees.

"On motion of J. H. Hall it was resolved that the Church shall not be granted for any other use than regular worship except by a called meeting of the Trustees.

J. H. Hall and E. J. Lilly were appointed a committee to dispose of the old stove in the Church and to procure and have put up two coal stoves with the necessary pipes and fixtures, and to raise the ways and means to pay for the same.

E. J. Lilly, Sec. Pro. tem."

"A meeting of the Trustees of the M. E. Church at Fayetteville was held on the 1st of June at the Counting Room of J. H. Hall. Present: J. H. Hall, B. Rose, A. W. Steel and E. J. Lilly.

A communication was received from a committee of the Sons of

Temperance asking the use of the Church on the evenings of the 6th and 7th Insts for the Rev. P. Doub to lecture in.

The request was granted."

March 2, 1853.

Rev. R. J. Carson, P. E., Rev. S. Milton Frost, Pastor.

"The subject of missions was brought before the Conference, and it was resolved to promote the cause of missions to the utmost of our ability."

May 10, 1853.

"It was moved by Brother Frost and seconded by Brother Rose that a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the prospects of establishing a good school in this town and to make inquiries for a suitable location for said school and report to Official Board. B. Rose, E. J. Lilly, and A. E. Hall were appointed said committee."

July 4, 1854.

"The Preacher in charge reports three Sabbath Schools all in a prosperous condition."

February 26, 1855.

Rev. D. B. Nicholson, P. E., Rev. W. E. Pell, Pastor.

"The Preacher in charge reports the Sunday School in connection with the Church, not in a flourishing condition. The one in Campbellton is under the charge of Rev. James Cain, and the one near Cross Creek is under the charge of Brother W. S. Fowlkes. Nothing especial, aside from the Sunday School, has been done for the instruction of the children.

The subject of missions was brought before the Conference and the following resolution adopted: Resolved that the Preacher in charge be requested to preach a sermon on the subject of missions at some suitable time and that a subscription be taken at that time for missionary purposes.

Resolved, that a committee of three be appointed to draft suitable resolutions expressive of the feelings of this Conference relative to the death of the late Bishop William Capers, that said resolutions be spread upon the minutes of this body, a copy furnished for publication, and

a copy forwarded to the family of the deceased. The committee: J. C. Thompson, E. J. Lilly, and Rev. Wm. E. Pell."

October 30, 1855.

"Resolved that this Conference has learned with pleasure of the proposition to establish a religious paper under the auspices of the North Carolina Annual Conference, and that we heartily approve the project."

Resolved that this Conference request the favorable consideration of the stockholders to this place as a suitable position for the location of the establishment."

March 29, 1856.

Rev. J. H. Brent, Pastor.

"The Presiding Elder, according to discipline, brought the subject of missions before Conference, whereupon it was agreed, that the pastor preach a sermon and take up a subscription as usual, at such time as he may judge best."

November 2, 1857.

Rev. W. H. Bobbitt, Pastor.

"The Preacher reports: 1 Sunday School, 1 Superintendent, 1 Assistant Superintendent, 1 Librarian. [J. C. Thompson. We have records of the names of those who used the books and the numbers of the books, beginning in 1855—but there was a library long before. By 1833 they had accumulated 183 books.] 16 Teachers, 100 Scholars, 464 volumes in the Library, 75 copies of The Child's Paper taken, 20 copies of The American Messenger taken. Average attendance 40. Amount collected for School \$74.95.

Rev. John Buie and Rev. James Cain had their license renewed as Local Preachers. J. G. Yates, having applied for license to preach, was examined in the doctrines of our Church, and passed a favorable examination. He was licensed to preach."

March 6, 1858.

Rev. W. H. Bobbitt, Pastor; Rev. J. B. Martin, Pastor of Evan's Chapel; Rev. Thomas McRae, Local Preacher; Rev. J. G. Yates, Local Preacher; A. M. McLauchlin, E. J. Lilly, Henry Lilly, and J. C. Thompson, stewards.

"Brother A. E. Hall, Rec. Sec., having removed from Fayetteville, Brother J. A. Pemberton was nominated and elected in his stead for this station.

J. A. Pemberton was elected Recording Steward.

H. Lilly, Sec.

D. B. Nicholson, P. E."

June 5, 1858.

Rev. W. H. Bobbitt, Pastor.

"What number have been received on probation this quarter? Answer—81 Whites, 112 Colored.

November 11, 1858.

After the routine business was finished the stewards for 1859 were elected as follows:

"A. W. Steel, John Shaw, Henry Lilly, J. C. Thompson, E. J. Lilly, J. A. Pemberton, and Wm. K. Blake. District Steward—Henry Lilly." [The only representatives of the first board of stewards fifty years ago, are the two members of the Blake family—A. W. Steel, and Wm. K. Blake: as far as I have been able to find out.] At the close of the first fifty years there were:

219 members—White, as most of the colored members preferred worshiping at Evan's Chapel.

9 Probationers. 110 Scholars in Sunday School. 1 Superintend 1 Assistant Superintendent. 1 Librarian. 464 volumes 75 copies of Child's Paper, used regularly—20 copies of American Messenger, used regularly.

The Trustees were: John H. Hall, Beverly Rose, A. W. Steel, A.

McLauchlin, J. C. Thompson, E. J. Lilly.

The Class Leaders were: Nos. 1, 2, Preacher in charge; 3 John H. Hall; 4, Arch McLauchlin; 5, Wm. Holland; 6, Beverly Rose; 7, J. G. Yates; 8, Wm. Frizzell.

May 28, 1859.

Rev. Peter Doub, D. D., P. E.; Rev. Abram Weaver, Pastor; Rev. O. I. Brent, Evan's Chapel.

"There are three Sabbath Schools. One is in a flourishing condition at Hay Street, one in Campbellton. Also one at Evan's Chapel consisting of about forty scholars and regularly increasing."

August 9, 1859.

"The Preacher in charge of the station reports two Sunday Schools—one at the Church in a good condition and one at Campbellton which promises usefulness in that part of Town, AND THE PREACHER IN CHARGE OF EVAN'S CHAPEL REPORTS one Sunday School with fifty scholars."

This report shows an increase of ten for the quarter—and is the first mention of "the preacher in charge of Evan's Chapel"—as a separate congregation—although the Rev. O. I. Brent reported to the second quarterly meeting, May 28th, as preacher at Evan's Chapel.

"Minutes of the proceedings of the first Quarterly Meeting Conference for Fayetteville Station [Hay Street Church] and Evans' Chapel Charge, held in the School Room February 25, 1860.

Rev. Peter Doub, P. E.; Rev. L. S. Burkhead, Pastor; Rev. R. P.

Bibb, Evans' Chapel.

"That a committee of three be appointed to inquire into the necessity for repairs about the Church, Church lot and Parsonage, and that A. McLauchlin, B. Rose, and E. J. Lilly be said committee.

That a committee of two be appointed to inquire into the indebted-

ness of the Church, and to report to the official Board of this station within four weeks, and through them to the next Quarterly Conference, and that J. C. Thompson and John Shaw be said committee."

March 27, 1860. Trustees.

"By report it was ascertained that the Church owed for repairs the sum of \$617., which was due to several persons. On motion of John H. Hall the Trustees assumed the payment of the \$617. debt. On motion of B. Rose it was resolved that the sum of \$1,000. be raised by the Trustees to pay the present debt and for the further purpose of lighting the Church with gas, and for repairs on Church and Parsonage property.

On motion, Rev. L. S. Burkhead, and R. F. Epps were constituted a committee and requested to raise \$1,000. for the above objects."

November 24, 1860.

"The Trustees' report:

The Trustees of the church property on Fayetteville Station, beg leave to submit the following as their report:

There is one Church and a School Room estimated to be worth about \$5000.

One Parsonage and furniture estimated to be worth about \$1,500. and in good repair.

We have raised and expended for repairs, etc., on the church and parsonage and in liquidation of Church debt about \$900.

All the property is insured for about \$3,800.

There are two vacancies in the Board of Trustees and we recommend this Quarterly Meeting Conference to fill them.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Trustees, Henry Lilly and John Shaw were appointed to fill vacancies in the Board.

CHAPTER VI.

1861-1878

February 16, 1861.

Rev. L. S. Burkhead, Pastor; Rev. J. L. Newby, Colored Charge. [Evans' Chapel.]

After the routine business was transacted, the Pastor of Hay Street and the Pastor of Evans' Chapel reported, and a committee submitted resolutions expressive of their regard for W. W. Frizell, deceased, the minutes were signed—then,

This item is recorded:

In connection with the 3rd Quarterly Meeting Conference the following proceeding took place which is not embodied in the regular place. (July 14, 1860.)

The following allowance was made for the Preacher's expenses at Evans' Chapel.

For board, etc., for himself and children.

Board for himself and son, \$216.; board for daughter, \$72.; traveling expenses, \$17.; washing, \$17.; wood, \$12.; lights, \$5.; total, \$339."

September 28, 1861.

Rev. Peter Doub, P. E.; Rev. L. S. Burkhead, Pastor; Rev. J. L. Newby, Evans' Chapel.

At Hay Street Sunday School:

"1 Superintendent, 1 Assistant Superintendent, 17 Teachers, 196 Scholars, 685 volumes in Library. Amount collected for Sunday School \$15."

February 17, 1862.

Rev. J. W. Tucker, Pastor.

"The Preacher in charge reports one Sabbath School, not in very good condition, and efforts will be made to increase its usefulness.

Resolved that the superintendent and teachers of the Sabbath School together with the preacher in charge, arrange the Town into districts, and appoint one or more persons to each district to solicit scholars for the school, and such other aid as may be necessary for the prosperity of the School."

"Minutes of the 3rd Quarterly Meeting Conference never came to the hands of the Secretary."

September 20, 1862.

"Minutes of the 4th Quarterly Meeting Conference held for Fayetteville Station (Hay Street Church) and Evans' Chapel Mission at the School Room of the Station

Rev. Peter Doub, P. E.

Rev. J. W. Tucker, Pastor.

Rev. B. B. Culbreth, Evans' Chapel Mission.

"The Preacher in charge reports that the School is not in a very favorable dondition. x x The interest of our Church in the cause is not what it should be. It is difficult to get the children to attend. We would be pleased if some action could be taken to revive the interest of the Church in this cause."

Local Preachers, Local Deacons, Local Elders, and Exhorters passed the annual examination of character and their licenses renewed.

February 9, 1863.

Rev. J. W. Tucker, Pastor.

"The Preacher in charge reports the Sabbath School in rather bad condition. There are probably several causes for this—The want of clothing, among a portion of the children, suitable to wear on Sabbath—the excitement of the war, and the general bad weather at this season of the year. I am in hopes that there will soon be a marked improvement."

July 18, 1863.

Rev. J. W. Tucker, Pastor.

Rev. J. J. Prather, Pastor Evans' Chapel Mission.

"The interest of our Sabbath School has increased very much since our last report. The regular attendance is now 88 pupils and 16 teachers. We have established in connection with the other exercises of the School, an exercise in vocal music which adds greatly to the interest of the School, and I am in hopes no less to the profit. We propose as soon as practicable to form in connection with the School a Bible Class for the purpose of training those who in future may become its teachers.

Since our last quarterly conference the interests of religion have not

materially varied. We have three Classes that meet weekly.

The prayer meeting on Monday night is tolerably well attended. The lecture on Wednesday night is tolerably well attended. Our congregations on Sunday morning are large—they are not so large on Sunday night. We have had some conversions and I look forward to an increase of interest.

The Preacher in charge of Evans' Chapel Mission (Rev. J. J. Prayther) reports as follows:

I herewith present a statement of the spiritual condition of the colored congregation (Evans' Chapel), together with the number of persons received on probation and by certificate, and also the number dropped during the year. There has been quite a good work in progress and the Lord has graciously blessed the Church, many having "Passed from death unto life."

Received on probation 45; Received by certificate 7; Received in full connection 16. Dropped (probationers) 3. Whole membership 364.

[In 1863 the Trustees were white men and Quarterly Meetings were attended by both white and colored officials.]

Sunday School, recently organized—the object of which is the moral and religious training of the children. There is an average attendance of from seventy-five to eighty scholars."

[The above is the first detailed report from the Pastor of "Evans' Chapel Mission." It means that the Negro Methodists preferred their own place of worship, and that their return had been gradual but definite.]

October 31, 1863.

Qustion 5. What amount has been received for missions?

Answer: Four hundred and sixty dollars.

[This is the largest amount reported for missions in any one year, so far.]

June 25, 1864.

Rev. H. T. Hudson, Pastor.

"A committee consisting of Rev. H. T. Hudson, Rev. J. J. Prayther, Rev. John Buie, M. Shoemason, and John Shaw was appointed to take into consideration the subject of building a church in the lower part of the Town, and to report to the next Quarterly Meeting Conference."

October 29, 1864.

"The committee appointed at the last quarterly meeting reported unfavorably as to the propriety of building a church at present, and was discharged."

May 12, 1865.

"The School is not so flourishing as formerly owing to the recent events caused by military operations in our midst. The School is, however, accomplishing some good now, and we hope for greater prosperity when the country becomes more settled. We have lost nothing of our high estimate of its great importance, and expect to renew our

united energies to advancing its highest interests as soon as the state of the country will permit."

January 15, 1866.

Rev. T. W. Guthrie, Pastor.

"The Stewards report that they have allowed for the family expenses of the Rev. T. W. Gethrie \$750. His disciplinary allowance being \$350., making in all the sum of \$1,100."

November 5, 1866.

"Resolved that the Pastor of this Cherch, or someone designated by him, hold regular quarterly examinations of the pupils of the Sabbath School, and that a report of such examinations be made to each quarterly meeting conference—which was adopted."

December 31, 1866.

"\$1,200. was allowed for the support of the pastor, Rev. T. W. Guthrie for the present conference year. \$75. was allowed the sexton for the present year. It is estimated that not less than \$1,700 will be necessary to raise to meet the current expenses of the church for this year. A motion was made by A. W. Steel that the Church, organ and parsonage be insured for a sum not exceeding \$5,000.—which was carried."

December 15, 1866.

"There has been \$10. received for HOME Missions." [The first mention of "HOME MISSIONS."]

"The church property has been insured as follows: Church, \$2,500.; Organ, \$1,000.; School Room, \$500.; Parsonage, \$900.; Kitchen \$100.; Total \$5,000."

October 7, 1867.

Rev. S. D. Adams, P. E.

Rev. T. W. Guthrie, Pastor.

Rev. M. L. Wood, Missionary to China. Stewards: A. W. Steel, E. J. Lilly, W. T. Rhodes, John Shaw, J. C. Thompson, Beverly Rose. Exhorters: T. B. Newberry, J. C. Blocker, W. H. Holland, and D. N. McLean. x x x

2nd Question: Is there a written report of the number and state of Sabbath Schools, and pastoral instruction of children?

Answer: The Sabbath School is not in so flourishing a condition as last quarter. The principal reasons are the want of punctuality and efficiency on the part of the Teachers, and a deficiency in quantity and quality of the books in the library. It is to be feared that the Church

does not fully appreciate the importance of the Sabbath School in advancing interests of the Church and the cause of Christ.

- 5. What has been done for the cause of missions? \$82.51 has been raised.
- 7. What has been raised for the support of tse ministry, and how has it been applied?

To Rev. S. D. Adams, P. E., \$113.; to Rev. T. W. Guthrie, Pastor, \$718.46.

9. What has been raised for other benevolences of the Church? For the poor, \$25.; for the Sunday School, \$72.30; for incidentals, \$78.68."

May 2, 1868.

"The spiritual condition of the Church has not materially changed since last quarter—the depression of the times seems to have a bad influence upon the spiritual welfare of the Church. (Sixty members were received in probationers class the first quarter last year, reported Feb. 15, 1866).

[Note the three references to war: In 1863, "The excitement of the war," as one of "several causes" of the rather bad condition of the Sunday School; in 1865, "The School is not so flourishing as formerly, owing to the recent events caused by the military operations in our midst;" and is 1868 "The depression of the times." Then, as we recall the devastation and suffering caused by "the military operations in our midst" we needs must offer a word of gratitude for Christians so free from bitterness, so ready to carry on for God. Consider just these items for 1861—1865: A Bible Class to train teachers for Hay Street Sunday School; a growing congregation at Evans' Chapel, the preacher paid by Hay Street; \$460 for missions from Hay Street in 1863; a committee appointed to consider building a church in Campbellton. The committee reported unfavorably—but the desire to build was there—and finally the church was built.]

April 17, 1869.

Rev. J. E. Mann, Pastor.

"Our Sunday School is in excellent condition. We have a faithful set of officers, a full and efficient corps of teachers, and more than a hundred scholars in regular attendance. We look for great blessings to the Church from this instrumentality of good.

Question 6: What is the general state of the Church?

Answer: [Instead of selecting one or two items, this is the Pastor's

report in full for April 17, 1869.]

Two members have died during the quarter—Archibald McLuachlin, and Mary Jones. Five have joined by certificate; Wm. McKenzie and wife, W. W. Cole and Nannie J. Cole, and John R. Jenkins. There is a marked increase of interest in every department of the Church. Our congregations are attentive and often evince signs of spiritual life in the reception of the Word. Our weekly prayer meetings in the School Room are well attended and often refreshing to those present. There are other prayer meetings in addition to this, held in the eongregation, which are often meetings of interest.

We have two classes in good condition. The Ladies of the Church have a Benevolent Society in active operation. They have established for the year a school for the children which is in successful operation. They are now working energetically to improve our house of worship.

We earnestly hope and pray for a better time, a refreshing from the Lord."

July 3, 1869.

Rev. J. E. Mann, Pastor.

Question: Is there any miscellaneous business?

Answer: E. J. Lilly, A. W. Steel, and W. D. Smith were appointed a committee to superintend all the arrangements that may be necessary for the purpose of building a new Sabbath School room, all such repairs to the church property as may be thought necessary, and for the purpose of procuring a church bell."

Our Sabbath School is in good condition. It has been thoroughly reorganized. Seventy-five copies of the Sunday School Visitor and a number of copies of the Weekly Messenger have been sent for for the ehildren, as well as a number of books needed in the School. Our greatest need, as far as human instrumentality is concerned, is for MORE ROOM, comfortable and convenient room. We cannot organize all the classes, and what we have organized are too crowded."

[It was at this Quarterly Conference that the building committee was appointed.] I think there is some indication of a proper spiritual improvement manifesting itself in a greater readiness to labor and sacrifice for the cause of God. The life the true Christian lives, is lived by faith in the Son of God. x xWe need a greater quickness of our faith, that its life and true signs may be more abundant. We are praying for and expecting to see an ingathering of God's harvest—in proportion as the zeal of the Church increases to labor in it."

February 5, 1870.

"Our Sunday School is in tolerable condition. x x It is well officered, and the teachers are well qualified for their positions. We have several Bible Classes of more than ordinary interest. I have formed a Bible Class for adults to meet at three o'clock in the afternoon, which is attended by quite a number who appear to be interested, and we hope that it will be profitable. We deem it important that special regard be had to punctual application of the Sabbath lessons taught."

March 18, 1871.

Rev. J. P. Moore, P. É.

Rev. J. E. Mann, Pastor.

"Our singing is often very fine. We hope to be able to introduce a number of copies of our own Sunday School Music Book. Bro. Welsh is kindly spending an hour every Sabbath evening teaching the children to sing. x x x Many of our children and a few of our teachers have never been born from above; we need the regenerating influence of the Holy Ghost—We need the School baptized from above—We pray to see it soon."

In answer to the question as to the Church, Mr. Mann said: "The general state of the Church, I think is better than it has been for two or three years. There has been manifested improvement in every department during the present year—our regular congregation has increased in numbers and interest. Our prayer meetings are largely attended and are often the means of great spiritual enjoyment. The class meeting in the School Room has twenty-one names enrolled and is attended with interest and profit by its members. A number of the members of the Church are praying and looking for a special season of grace in the Church at this time."

<mark>June 19,</mark> 1871.

"Our Sabbath School is in good condition for this season. Most of the scholars and all of the teachers are now members of the church.

Though some of the scholars are young, yet their lives have been fully as devoted and consistent since conversion, as those who came in at a much more advanced period of life. We have seldom seen children more punctual at scrvices or more attentive to the Church. We find our Church Publication for Sunday School very useful and proper among our children. Our School is well provided for and doing well."

Mr. Mann reported five received by certificate and fifty-one joined the Church on profession of faith. The names are recorded.

"The condition of the Church is encouraging, we have cause to be thankful to the great Head of the Church for the gracious outpouring of His Spirit, and for the accessions we have received."

April 15, 1872.

"The Trustees reported that they had sold the old parsonage for \$800. and had bought a new parsonage for the sum of \$1,750. They ask the confirmation of the sale and purchase as above recited. On motion the action of the Trustees was unanimously confirmed."

July 3, 1871. Trustees.

"The Trustees bought the McMillan property on the corner of

Gillespie and Mumford Streets. John Shaw and A. W. Steel were appointed to make the purchase for the sum of sixteen hundred twenty-five dollars, and to secure a satisfactory title for the same."

June 24, 1872.

[The implication in the following item from 1867 is that Hay St. had before that time bought, and held a deed for, the Evans' Chapel property:

October 7, 1867.

"On motion: Vacancies on the Board of Trustees for Evans' Chapel were filled by the following persons—A. W. Steel and John Shaw.]

June 24, 1872.

"The Trustees of Evans' Chapel, (Bought for the use of the colored people of this Town, belonging to the M. E. Church) be and are hereby directed to transfer the same to the Trustees appointed for the Colored M. E. Church of America, according to the act of the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, directing the same."

"Our Sabbath School is in about its usual condition for this season of the year. It is better supplied with means of improvement than it has ever been. There has been a large increase made in the Library through the kindness of a brother. We have a full supply of our Sunday School papers. We hope to see a general improvement in interest and results."

March 10, 1873.

Rev. E. A. Yates, P. E.

Rev. E. W. Thompson, Pastor.

[Dr. Yates was a member of Hay Street Church until a few years before he joined the N. C. Conference in 1860.]

"The congregations are good and unusually attentive. The prayer meeting is held every week and is tolerably well attended. The sacrament is administered monthly and the Church Conference is held as often.

The finances of the Church are in a healthy condition, having been reduced to a regular system, which provided for the payment of the amount subscribed in weekly installments. There is also a collection for the poor, raised on the first Sabbath of every month. Then the regularity with which the ordinances and means are used and the liberality of the people dispensed, justify the statement, that this Church is doubtless in a better working condition than the great majority of the churches in our Conference. The people are regularly visited by

the Pastor, and it is his opinion that there is a degree of unity and good feeling in this congregation which is seldom found in these days of bickering and strife."

June 2, 1873.

The Pastor begs leave to report that the Sunday School is in successful operation under the superintendence of Brother W. D. Smith and W. W. Cole. x x We have recently had our anniversary and picnic, which we considered very pleasant and profitable.

We have been thinking of establishing another Sunday School in the Town, but have not as yet carried out our plans. By the help of God, and the cooperation of the membership of the Church, we hope that the year that is now beginning will be full of prosperity and good fruits."

August 27, 1873.

"The School is not all that it should be, yet I trust that we are doing a good work. x x x In my pastoral visits I make the Sabbath School a specialty and many have promised me to send their children. I am persuaded that there are several teachers among us who are not discharging their duties, and who on this account injure the School. We continue the singing feature and think it profitable.

I attend every Sabbath, and give very often a lecture on the Doctrine or the Polity of the Church. I also require the children to search out passages (of Scripture) in proof of these Doctrines."

August, 1873.

Tribute of Respect.

The following resolutions were adopted by the third Quarterly Conference for the Fayetteville station, August 27, 1873.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God, in his wise Providence, to remove from our midst our beloved Brother, A. W. Steel,

Therefore:

1st. Resolved that in the death of Brother Steel the Quarterly Conference of the Fayetteville Station has lost one of its most zealous and efficient members, the Church one of its most devoted, and the community one of its most worthy and enterprising citizens.

2nd. Resolved that we tender our sincere sympathy to his bereaved and affliced family, praying that this sad dispensation may be sanctified to their good.

3rd. Resolved, That our Secretary be requested to transfer a copy of these resolutions to our Conference Journal, to perpetuate the memory of our departed friend.

4th. Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the be-

reaved family, as an evidence of our high appreciation of the honored dead and of our unfeigned sympathy for the sorrowing survivors.

5th. Resolved that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the North Carolina Christian Advocate for publication.

J. C. Thompson.
John Shaw.
E. J. Lilly.

February 5, 1875.

"W. W. Cole elected superintendent of Sabbath School, and W. W. Cole, W. D. Smith, Henry Lilly, and J. W. Welsh elected delegates to District Conference. Alternates elected were John X. Smith and John Shaw."

July 3, 1876.

Rev. J. S. Nelson, P. E.

Rev. Thomas W. Smith, Pastor.

"There are two Sunday Schools under the supervision of this Quarterly Conference. The one at this place and one at Hawley's School House. Last quarter the young Ladies' Aid Society gave to this School sixty-seven volumes, and Brothers Henry and E. J. Lilly donated neat and valuable books to the School.

April 9, 1877.

Rev. J. S. Nelson, P. E.

Rev. L. W. Crawford, Pastor.

"I am told that there are certain difficulties in the way which have long obtained, which greatly embarrass the successful operation of the Sunday School. 1st, Lack of competent and efficient teachers 2nd, In the want of such size, construction, and finish in the School Room, as would combine room, comfort, and beauty. The house room now in use, to say nothing of its (dingy and unsightly) appearance, and its awkward conditions, is so small that infants, youths, young men and young ladies are so crowded together in their respective classes that confusion obtains. One result is that older scholars are constantly dropping out. I must respectfully call the attention of the official body to the importance of remedying this need, if possible.

"There is a pretty general interest felt in our Church enterprises, and a larger proportion of the membership seem willing to do their duty, as they understand it. However, I must call attention to the fact that the Church is carrying a good deal of DEAD weight. That is, members who have no other than a legal connection with us. Some I am told, never attend Church, others attend very rarely. This is of course to be regretted, and the official body ought, as far as possible, correct this evil. In doing this it is always better to try mild

means, kindness, and gentle reproof. It is feared that a few are walking disorderly. Let individual effort be made to save the erring."

September 24, 1877.

"Brothers Smith, Welsh, and Holland are appointed a committee to examine the stove pipe and have such repairs made as may be necessary, and procure coal to be used."

November 4, 1878.

Rev. R. G. Barrett, P. E.

Rev. L. W. Crawford, Pastor.

"There is a growing interest in our periodicals and literature. Twelve copies of the S. S. Magazine are taken by individual subscribers, eight copies of the Nashville Advocate, a goodly number of copies of the Raleigh Christian Advocate are taken."

CHAPTER VII.

1879-1908

["The Complete Quarterly Conference Record Book" was published in Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 30, 1878 (first edition) and Hay Street's first Quarterly Conference for 1879 was recorded in one of the books December 30, 1878. Before that time the secretary had to write a long list of questions each quarter and then write the answers. The printed form saves time and covers Conference requirements.]

January 5, 1880.

Rev. L. L. Hendren, P. E.

Rev. L. W. Crawford, Pastor.

"Messrs. E. J. and Henry Lilly submitted to the Conference, through the Pastor, the following proposition, viz: If the congregation will secure, by purchase, a fee simple title to the lot adjoining the Church property, and now owned by Calvin Davis, E. J. and Henry Lilly will obligate themselves to erect upon said Davis lot a building, not to cost less than \$800., suitable for Sunday School purposes and donate the same to the Church."

[The building given then is the one seen in the picture of the Church that was built in 1834. Rev. L. W. Crawford said: "The new Sunday School Building is the most attractive and best arranged S. S. building I have seen in this State."]

[There are three pages on the Church register headed: Members Received after the great Revival held November and December 1879.]

("In 1861 there was a revival in Hay Street Church and eighty-five converts were added to its membership. The next great revival was in 1889.)

At this time a mob attacked the Church because a woman, Miss Painter, was allowed to preach. Articles denouncing the services were published in the Gazette and were answered. The climax was reached when Rev. L. S. Burkhead came from Wilmington and preached from Acts 17:5: "Certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and set all the city on an uproar." He said that when God is working in and through his people the devil always gathers his forces to hinder and to try to destroy the good accomplished. "Like a trumpet blast it gathered the hosts of Israel and hurled them with irrestible force against the enemy. Christians prayed and worked in

the Church, and the conflict waged in homes, in shops, in stores, and on the streets until it reached the surrounding country, and men and women cried: "What must I do to be saved?" It was a sermon that men remember for a lifetime."]

April 5, 1880.

Rev. L. W. Crawford, Pastor.

"In regard to the 140 members received as the fruit of our late revival, it gives me pleasure to say that the great majority of them are doing well. Already some of them are among our most active and spiritual members. About 25 of the whole number have fallen into sin, a part of the number, we hope will be restored, but some we fear will have to be cast off. May the blessings of God rest upon them—and upon us.

There are three Sunday Schools under the care of this Quarterly Conference. No. 1, the school in this house—Bro. W. W. Cole is Superintendent. No. 2 was organized some four months ago. [about December 5, 1879] under the Superintendency of J. A. D. Boon. This School is held at the Fair Grounds on each Sunday afternoon. Its average attendance is about sixty pupils.

School No. 3 was organized on yesterday [April 4, 1880. It was a REorganization! The Sunday School in Campbellton was organized before "August 22, 1836. The School which existed in Campbellton, and which has been frequently renewed" x x x Wintertime was hard on mission schools. Imagine trying to heat the Agricultural Hall at the Fair Grounds!], in our Prayer Meeting Room in Campbellton. About twenty-five adults and children were enrolled.

In the beginning of the present pastorate [1880 is the fourth year] the congregation was carrying a debt of \$400. and much of the property of the Church greatly needed repairs. Notwithstanding the unprecedented scarcity of money, all the current expenses of the Church have been promptly met, needed repairs made, the old debt liquidated, a lot purchased at a cost of \$400., and a large and beautiful Sunday School building erected at a cost and outlay of \$2,000." [Isn't there some connection between "The Great Revival in 1879" and money sufficient for the Lord's work, and the efforts to extend His kingdom at the Fair Grounds and Campbellton Sunday Schools?]

1880.

Rev. L. L. Hendren, P. E. Rev. L. W. Crawford, Pastor.

Official Board:

E. J. Lilly, Henry Lilly, E. Floyd, W. H. Holland, B. E. Sedberry, W. D. Smith, J. A. Gainey, Silas Sheetz, Geo. A. Thompson, W. W. Cole, Walter Watson, Jas. M. Lamb, John Shaw, J. W. Welsh, John D. Boon, D. N. McLean.

Superintendent Hay Street Sunday School—W. W. Cole. Superintendent Fair Ground Sunday School—J. A. D. Boon. Superintendent Campbellton Sunday School—John Maultsby.

September 4, 1882.

Rev. John R. Brooks, Pastor.

"Rev. D. N. McLean examined, character passed, license as Local Preacher renewed.

Rev. John H. Hall's character passed, and he was recommended for admission to the traveling connection."

December 26, 1882.

"The following preamble and resolutions, after a few words from

the pastor, unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, our Heavenly Father, in his inscrutable providence, has called from our midst our venerated Brother, Mr. Henry Lilly, Therefore, Resolved, 1st, That in the death of Brother Lilly this Conference has lost one of its best and most faithful members; our Church one of its most munificent and devoted sons; the poor one of their truest and most liberal friends; and the community at large one of its most upright and useful citizens.

Resolved 2nd, That while we bow submissively to the will of Divine Providence, we nevertheless sadly mourn the loss of our dear Brother, and will ever most tenderly and gratefully cherish in our heart of hearts the memory of his spotless life, his sincere friendship, his unselfish devotion to our Church, and his large hearted liberality to all her interests.

Resolved 3rd, That we commend to the youth of our Church and community, for their study and emulation, the example of strict integrity, honesty, and unswerving adherence to principle, that was so conspicuously set before them in the stainless business life of our honored and lamented brother.

Resolved 4th, That to the relatives of the deceased, and especially to his heartbroken brother, who has been so long and so closely bound to him by business and domestic ties, we tender our sincere and profound sympathy, praying that the God of all grace may abundantly comfort and sustain them in this their hour of sudden and sore bereavement.

Resolved 5th, That this paper be spread upon our records, and a copy be furnished the relatives of the deceased."

January 11, 1883.

Rev. J. A. Cunninggim, P. E.

Rev. J. R. Brooks, Pastor.

"The Sunday School at the Fair Grounds" has been suspended.

August 27, 1883.

"Whereas we believe that the cause of Christ would be promoted by setting off a membership of our Church in lower Fayetteville into a separate pastoral charge, Therefore,

Resolved 1st, That the Board of Missions of the North Carolina Conference to establish a mission between Blount's Creek and the Cape Fear River in the town of Fayetteville to be known as the Campbellton Mission.

Resolved 2nd, That said Board be requested to appropriate \$300. for the support of said Mission during the ensuing conference year.

3rd, That our Presiding Elder be requested to bring the matter before the Board of Missions and the Bishops and his Council at the session of the North Carolina Conference to be at Statesville during next month, and, so far as he can, to carry out the purpose of these resolutions."

February 18, 1884.

Rev. F. L. Reid, P. E.

Rev. F. H. Wood, Pastor.

Rev. J. J. Gregg, Pastor, Campbellton Mission (1885).

"There are three Sunday Schools under the care of this Church: One at Gardner's School House, Supt. W. J. Gardner, one at Campbellton, Supt. W. H. Holland, at Hay Street, Supt. W. W. Cole.

February 8, 1886.

Rev. S. D. Adams, P. E.

Rev. J. T. Gibbs, Pastor.

Rev. J. J. Grigg, Pastor Campbellton.

"On motion of Brother Lamb it was ordered that a Church be organized in Campbellton, and the following were elected Stewards: J. A. Watson, J. G. Peoples, H. H. Straughn, E. M. Waddell."

July 16, 1889.

Rev. W. H. Bobbitt, P. E.

Rev. Joseph Wheeler, Pastor.

"The Church has been much blessed during the present quarter. Through the labors of Rev. Mr. Pearson, joined to the work and prayers of the Christians of the various denominations of our City, there has been a gracious outpouring of God's Spirit. Our people have shared in the benefits in no small measure. The Church has been greatly quickened, and members have been added to the Lord. (The names of 64 persons received at that time follow:)

[Rev. A. L. Phillips in his address for the Centennial of the First Presbyterian Church in 1900: "It was during the last months of my service that arrangements were made for the 'Pearson Meetings.' Carefully matured plans were made for every detail of the work. For several months a band of personal workers was trained in the use of the Bible with anxious inquirers. The hearts of the people were filled with longing and expectation. The meetings were held under the direction of the Baptist, Methodist and our own Church in a temporary auditorium erected on the old cotton platform, and continued through two weeks. 'The result of the meeting' says one, 'was such a revival as perhaps was never witnessed before in Fayetteville. All the Churches shared in the blessing and a large ingathering of members followed, especially in the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches. Within three weeks from May 5, 18 members were added to the Presbyterian Church." History of First Presbyterian Church, p. 60.]

"On motion of Bro. J. C. Thompson, a committee of three, Bro. J. C. Thompson, J. M. Lamb, and W. H. Holland, were instructed to refit this Sunday School room for infant classes."

February 3, 1890.

Rev. J. T. Gibbs, P. E.

Rev. C. W. Byrd, Pastor.

"J. A. D. Boon, J. P. Thompson, Building Committee, was instructed to 'rush' building for Mission Work at Fair Grounds. The same to be governed by our Church Discipline."

March 6, 1893.

Rev. J. T. Gibbs, D. D., P. E.

Rev. J. T. Lyon, Pastor.

Rev. T. H. Sutton, Assistant.

"Three Sunday Schools in very good working order. x x x The interest in Campbellton and Rose Chapel (Fair Ground) increasing."

November 13, 1893.

"Supt. Hay St. Sunday School, J. A. Steel

Supt. Campbellton Sunday School, J. A. Nicholson.

Supt. Rose Chapel Sunday School, E. A. Poe.

February 5, 1894.

Rev. R. A. Willis, Pastor.

Rev. T. H. Sutton, Asst.

"The Sunday School at Campbellton is in a prosperous condition having 130 on roll, being 5 in excess of the Church membership at that place."

November 2, 1894.

Rev. W. H. Moore, P. E.

"We have three Sunday Schools. There are 310 scholars, 32 teachers, 15 officers, 2090 books in Library. We have one Epworth League with 85 members."

"Campbellton Stewards:

H. H. Bolton, A. J. Owen, J. A. Nicholson, A. S. Maultsby, G. W. New, S. B. Talbot, S. P. Jones."

"Where are the title papers kept? In the iron safe in the office of J. C. Thompson. Where are they recorded?

In the Register of Deeds of Cumberland County office, Books S—O, No. 3—3—48—103 page. (Book S No. 3 Page 48 [in pencil]).

January 6, 1897.

Rev. L. L. Nash, Pastor.

Rev. D. B. Parker, Junior Preacher.

"Immediately after the adjournment of the Board of Stewards, the Pastor called an official meeting for the purpose of setting a time to hold Church Conference, and it was moved and carried that it be held on the second Wednesday night in every month. Then it was moved and carried that the Chair, Dr. Nash, appoint a committee to examine the Church Register before holding Conference. Committee: Q. K. Nimocks, W. W. Cole, J. J. Powers, Dr. E. Floyd, J. M. Lamb."

July 14, 1897.

"Rev. L. L. Nash, Pastor Hay Street, reported that he had organized a society at Rose Chapel with seven members."

February 9, 1898.

"Rev. B. H. Black reported for Campbellton as follows: Campbellton S. S. not in good condition. Need more teachers. Have raised money for Hymn Books."

"The Church Conference ordered the names of eighteen persons dropped from the roll."

May 10, 1899.

x x Rev. F. A. Bishop, P. E.

x x Rev. W. L. Cunninggim, Pastor.

"Supt. B. C. Gorham reported for Hay Street S. S. as follows:

Officers 7, Teachers 18, Pupils 212. Total 237. Average attendance 110. Per cent, 46 1-2. Collection for year \$50. Number of books in Library 2783. Average number of books loaned per Sunday 35. For missions during year \$5.25. The Sunday School work was discussed by Brothers Gorham, Lamb, and the chair. (Mr. Cunninggim.)

August 14, 1901.

Rev. B. R. Hall, P. E.

Rev. T. A. S. Smoot, Pastor.

"Pastor: Up to the present time I have visited every Methodist family within reach, that I can find, and have, as far as possible, cultivated some acquaintances with every church member."

"The Pastor reports the League in good condition."

January 1904.

Rev. T. A. Smoot and J. M. Lamb attended the Mid-Year Layman's Missionary Meeting in Rocky Mount, at which time a member of Hay Street Church answered a call for Christian teachers for our Church Schools in Brazil. After graduating from Scarritt Bible and Training School in Kansas City, Mo, in 1906, she went to Brazil and had the privilege of serving there until 1915, when ill health made further service impossible.]

1905-1906.

Rev. J. B. Hurley, P. E. Rev. D. H. Tuttle, Pastor.

Among other constructive activities, Mr. Tuttle put on a campaign for a new Church. His Bulletin for Sunday carried a picture of Hay Street Church and Sunday School building with: "This Church building has served us three score and ten years. Is it not time for a new one? What say our building committee?"

1907-1908.

Rev. Geo. F. Smith, Pastor.

It was during his pastorate that the new Church was built. It marked the centennial of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Fayetteville. The program follows:



1808—1908

The building of this Church marked the Centennial of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Fayetteville.



CENTENNIAL OF METHODISM IN FAYETTEVILLE

October 25-29, 1908

- 11:00 a. m., Sermon, by Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson, D. D., LL. D., Baltitimore, Md.
 - 3:30 p. m., A Model Sunday School, by J. G. Brown, Raleigh, N. C.
 New Responsibilities that have been discovered belonging to
 our Laymen, by Col. John F. Bruton, Wilson, N. C.
 - 8:00 p. m., The Laymen's Movement, by Bishop A. W. Wilson, D. D.

MONDAY

- 11:00 a. m., Sermon, by Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D., Gibson, N. C.
- 8:00 p. m., A Hundred Years of Methodism in Fayetteville, by Rev. T. A. Smoot, Wilmington, N. C.

TUESDAY

- 11:00 a. m., Sermon, by Rev. W. H. Moore, D. D., Rockingham, N. C.
- 8:00 p. m., Methodism and Literature, by Rev. T. N. Ivey, D. D., Editor of the Raleigh Christian Advocate.

 Mehodism and Revivals, by Rev. D. H. Tuttle, Rocky Mount, N. C.

WEDNESDAY

- 11:00 a. m., Sermon, by Rev. T. A Smoot.
- 8:00 p. m., Distinctive Doctrines of Methodism, Rev. W. H. Moore, D. D. Methodism and Missions, by Rev. L. L. Nash, D. D.

THURSDAY

- 11:00 a. m., Sermon, by Rev. D. H. Tuttle.
- 8:00 p. m., The Methodist Itineracy, by Rev. J. T. Gibbs, D. D., P. E., of Fayetteville District.
 Possibilities of Methodism, by Ex-Governor Thomas J. Jarvis, Greenville, N. C.

ORGANIZATION

J. T. Gibbs, D. D., P. E.

G. F. Smith, Pastor

BOARD OF STEWARDS:

B. C. Gorham, Chairman; W. W. Cole, Secretary: J. J. Powers, Treasurer; H. E. Sheetz, M. F. Crawford, A. W. Peace, J. L. Kennedy, Dr. G. B. Patterson, J. A. Steele, J. M. Lamb, Q. K. Nimocks, D. A. McMillan, W. T. Saunders, E. A. Poe, Dr. J. H. Judd, Styles Sedberry, H. R. Hall.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES:

F. H. Thornton, Chairman; W. W. Cole, Secretary; J. M. Lamb, Treasurer; Q. K. Nimocks, E. A. Poe, W. S. Cook, T. H. Maultsby, H. G. Smith, J. C. Jackson.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Dr. J. H. Judd, Superintendent; H. G. Smith, Asst. Superintendent; J. J. Powers, Secretary; Paul Stewart, Asst. Secretary; J. E. Garrett, Librarian; Claude Overby and Thomas Fry, Asst. Librarians; Miss Mary Helen Sheetz, Organist; H. E. Sheetz, Musical Director.

PRAYER MEETING

Miss Marion McLean, Organist.

CHOIR

J. A. Jones, Director; Miss Dixie Poe, Organist.

SOCIETIES:

W. F. M. S.—Mrs. M. J. Simpson, President; Miss Margaret Poe, Secretary; Mrs. B. C. Gorham, Treasurer.

GOLDEN LINKS—Miss Eunice Gibbs, President; Miss Mary Gorham, Vice-President; Miss Isabel Williams, Secretary; Miss Elsie Upton, Treasurer.

BRIGHT JEWELS—Mrs. M. J. Simpson, Lady Manager; Miss Margaret Cot-

ton, Secretary. LADIES' AID SOCIETY-Mrs. B. C. Gorham, President; Mrs. H. C. Smith, Secretary; Mrs. M. J. Simpson, Treasurer.

BUILDING COMMITTEE:

E. A. Poe, Chairman; B. C. Gorham, Secretary; Q. K. Nimocks, J. M. Lamb, Dr. G. B. Patterson, F. H. Cotton, W. T. Saunders, H. G. Smith, Styles Sedberry.

Hay Street Methodist Church extends a cordial welcome to all visitors and strangers. It invites the transient to worship with us again when in our town. It invites those permanently located among us and without homes in other congregations to find a home among us.

It invites you to make yourself known to the pastor that a special well-

come may be given you.

CHAPTER VIII.

1909-1934

June 23, 1911.

Rev. R. B. John, P. E.

Rev. L. E. Thompson, Pastor.

At a called meeting of the Quarterly Conference:

"Rev. L. E. Thompson moved that the Trustees be authorized and empowered to sell the Campbellton Church and purchase a lot on Person Street and move the present building thereon; and the motion was unanimously carried.

The following committee was appointed to take the matter up and negotiate a deal and get the transaction in proper shape for action of the Trustees: E. A. Poe, J. C. Bruton, Dr. J. H. Judd."

1913-1916

March 6, 1913.

Rev. W. R. Royal, Pastor.

"The pastor has been meeting the children by special appointment twice a week in the Church at which time he is trying to train and instruct them along the following lines:—

In the History of the Methodist Church, in the Doctrines and Polity

of the Methodist Church, and in the Bible."

"Additions for the year: 43 on profession of faith, 76 by certificate."

1914

"We have six missionary societies, all of which are doing good work. In addition to these the congregation has pledged itself to build a Church in China costing \$2,000. all of which has been subscribed."

Stewards elected for 1915:

"E. A. Poe, W. A. Vanstory, J. C. Bruton, D. U. Sandlin, H. E. Sheetz, H. S. Sedberry, G. B. Patterson, J. H. Judd, J. J. Powers, W. W. Cole, H. G. Smith, J. M. Lilly, R. W. Herring, W. S. Cook, J. A. Steel, C. L. Hedgpeth, Albert Stewart, W. J. Byrd, A. L. Thompson, M. L. Smoot, W. S. Jordan, W. S. Snipes, H. L. Brothers."

1917-1918

Rev. J. T. Gibbs, P. E.

Rev. J. D. Bundy, Pastor.

"The greatly needed revision of the Church Register has not been

completed."

"General state of the Church:

Under this head I am glad to report the financial phase the best, I am told, for years. However, because of the many diversions and calls attendant upon the coming of the Camp I am afraid the general spiritual state has not improved very greatly."

1920

Rev. J. D. Bundy, P. E. Rev. W. V. McRae, Pastor.

"The Centenary movement is getting under way with us. More than a hundred persons have joined the League of Intercession.

"Methodists will never forget the thrill which ran through the heart of the Church in 1919 when the Centenary was carried to such a triumphant success. Its slogan was amply proved: 'When two million Methodists go from their knees to any task, it shall be done.' Nine hundred thousand members of our Church made pledges to celebrate the Centenary of the organization of the 'Missionary Society' in New York. Long before that time there had been evidence that Methodism is inherently missionary. Some Methodists came to America to live, and told the story of salvation by faith. Then came the group of Missionaries, George Whitfield, Frances Asbury, and Dr. Coke. Whitfield and Asbury are as foundation stones in our Church. No wonder a collection for Missions was taken at that great Christmas Conference in Lovely Lane Chapel in Baltimore in 1784, and less wonder that as needs were recognized and met, that there should be an organized effort to meet the increasing need for messengers to carry the good news. So, in 1819 in New York, the Methodist Episcopal Church organized its first Missionary Society. In 1919 the Methodist Episcopal Church and the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, both made the Centenary of Methodist Missions in the United States a time of prayer, of praise, and of giving. Four new mission fields were entered by our Church, within the Centenary period, 1919-1924. Whereas, we had in the 75 years before 1919 entered seven.! Three hundred new foreign missionaries were sent out, and nearly as many added to the home staff." "More than one hundred intercessors at Hay Street Church," as well as liberal givers, had a large part in the glorious achievements of the Centenary. It is a part of our history for which we are deeply grateful.

"On motion the Quarterly Conference recommends to the District Conference the adoption of a resolution in favor of the elimination of all advertisements in all the Church literature that does not pertain to our religious work in some of its phases, or to the extension of Christ's Kingdom."

June 3, 1920.

Rev. W. V. McRae, Pastor.

"For several months past our Sunday School has been undergoing the process of being departmentalized. That work has now been accomplished and some of the fine results are already in evidence. The Adult Department, the Young People's with the Intermediate, and the Junior Department, the Primary Department, and the Beginners' Department, has each its own opening exercises. This means greatly improved worship for some of these departments, and consequently increased interest.

This increased interest is shown somewhat by increased attendance and increased collections. On last Sunday one year ago there were present 202 scholars and the collection was \$14.62. Last Sunday the records give, present 290, with a collection of \$43.98.

Another display of interest is seen in the growing demand for more and better departmental rooms and equipment. The Junior and Senior Departments greatly desire, and must have, their own assembly rooms as well as class rooms.

Through its Sunday School and Epworth League this Church seems to be entering upon a mighty forward movement. 'Let us arise and build.' Seventy-six have joined the Church this quarter—thirty-eight by letter, thirty-eight on profession of faith. Removed by certificate—seventeen, by death—eight.

August 20, 1920.

Rev. W. V. McRae, Pastor.

"On motion of the Pastor a committee of five was appointed to consider a plan of a new building for the various needs of the Church. Committee: M. L. Smoot, A. E. Ritch, Miss Ellen Lamb, Mrs. B. C. Gorham, and W. A. Vanstory. Committee was requested to consider recommendations offered by A. E. Ritch." [The result is seen in the annex to the Sunday School.]

May 10, 1921.

"The Woman's Missionary Societies are very active, and they, with the Church, are to entertain next week the Annual Conference of the Woman's Missionary Societies of the North Carolina Conference. Our Sister denominations are liberal in their help in entertaining, for which we owe them thanks and appreciation."

February 6, 1922.

Rev. H. A. Humble, Pastor.

"Upon motion the Trustees of Hay Street Church were instructed to transfer the Person Street lot to the Trustees of Person Street Church."

"The total number of additions to the Church during the year is 141. Of these 67 came on profession of faith. This is about one sixth of the total membership of the Church. The net gain for the year is 93."

[The Raymond Browning meeting at Hay Street, and the Ham-Ram-sey meeting at the tabernacle built by the "men of all the Churches" in Fayetteville, were held during Mr. Humble's pastorate—and he cooperated with the Ham-Ramsey meeting just as earnestly as with Mr. Browning.]

November 11-16, 1925.

Bishop Colin Denny.

Rev. J. D. Bundy, P. E.

Rev. J. H. Shore, Pastor.

The eighty-ninth session of The North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, met in Fayetteville."

Mr. Shore, with the help of his membership, and the gracious hospitality of the other Churches entertained the Conference right royally.

Aside from pastoral duties, Mr. Shore prepared a Year Book and Directory for Hay Street Church. From that directory the following:

"FOREWORD BY THE PASTOR

We have come to the time in the growth of the larger Churches, when it is absolutely necessary to have a Church Directory. We cannot do the best work in the multiplied organizations, and activities of the Church, without some medium, by which we can become better acquainted with each other, and through which we can communicate with the membership of the Church, in the larger plans and methods for greater efficiency in the work of the Kingdom of God.

The Church is a family, and we cannot accomplish the best results unless we know each other in a close and intimate relation. This Church Directory should be of very great assistance in every department of Church work.

It has been prepared with the greatest care, and we have tried to select the matter, that will be of interest to the entire membership of the Church.

HAY STREET CHURCH has a history, reaching back for one hundred and nineteen years, and this history reads like a romance.

A clear and brief history of the Church has been prepared for this publication, and I trust that every one will read it with great care, and familiarize themselves with the wonderful history of their Church.

Another interesting historical item will be found in the Directory, and is, a list of the names of every preacher, who has served this Church, from the beginning, with the length of each pastorate. As the pastor writes these words, he breathes a prayer to God, that it may prove a great bless-

ing to each member of the Church, in inspiring a greater devotion to the Church, and in rendering a more efficient service to Jesus Christ.

John H. Shore, Pastor.

[Mr. Shore believes in the Gospel of Jesus for the whole man; Spiritual life and social life for every member of the Church; such life is possible only when all members work together effectively, each giving first place to the Kingdom of God. A good illustration is at hand in the Sunday School report for September 30, 1934. The "General Officers 100% was not reached by the departments, so the "General Attendance was 60%." Can the average be raised in every part of our Church.?

Sunday, October 7, 1934.

SERVICES FOR THE DAY

9:45, The Church School, Horace Sisk, Superintendent.

Attendance record for last Sunday: General Officers, 100%; Nursery Department, 33%; Beginners Department, 88%; Primary Department, 76%; Junior Department, 85%; Senior Int. Department, 44%; Adult Department, 49%; General Attendance, 60%. Enrollment 679, Present 404, Visitors 10, Offering \$14.55.]

February 8, 1928.

Rev. E. Frank Lee, Pastor.

"We would record that in January we were host to the Missionary Institute for one day, which was most helpful to all in attendance. We have reorganized the Young People of high school age into a Hi-League

with a membership of twenty-four.

"Our Woman's Missionary Societies and Junior Aid are so abundant in labor and helpful activity that they need not that any should speak for them. We mention them out of sheer gratitude. The Missionary Societies are observing their year of Jubilee and in connection with their observance are holding prayer meetings once a week.

We look forward to a great and successful School of Missions to be conducted by Mrs. T. J. Copeland of Baltimore. Date, February 22—24; and March the 29th—30th. We are to have the Conference Wide Sunday School Convention meet with us. On the 22—28th of this month we have to hold their sessions in our Church. The Cross Creek Township Convention of Sunday Schools under the auspices of the North Carolina State Sunday School Association.

1928

Rev. W. A. Cade, P. E. Rev. Frank Lee, Pastor.

"D. N. Geddie, Steward, was appointed to examine the Church Register and Church Records of Church Conferences.

Church attendance has shown a gratifying increase at both the morning and evening services. Our membership, most of them, have attended the Gypsy Smith services recently conducted at the Presbyterian Church, and, together with the pastor, they have been much benefitted."

Our Mission Study in February was helpful. As a result our quota of \$525, was raised, and enough more to pay our quota of \$53, to the

Chapel Hill Church.

From the Report of Lay Leader, October 16, 1929.

"We have helped in getting eight children into the Orphanage in Raleigh in the past twelve months. Besides other activities for Kingdom extension, this Church has for years given liberally to Near East Relief Work. This is a personal word, but will be of interest to you. General Y— Commander in Chief of the Syrian and American Armies during the World War, said to the writer that 'one day he saw a great picture—nearly four hundred thousand children being reared and educated by the American people.' This Church has the distinction of caring for more of these orphans than any other Church of its size in America."

G. C. Trice, Charge Lay Leader.

"Report of the Wesley Brotherhood:

About one year ago, at the instance of and with the hearty cooperation of our pastor, Rev. E. Frank Lee, there came into existence, for the first time in Fayetteville, The Wesley Brotherhood. There are sixty members, and we met on the second Tuesday of each month. x x Until the fatal illness of our deceased Brother, Floyd Souders, who was a charter and loyal member of the Wesley Brotherhood and whose death we all mourn, excellent music was murnished us by him and Mr. Derby. x x We hope that the possibilities of the Brotherhood shall be converted into worth while assets.

Q. K. Nimocks, Jr."

January 23, 1919.

Rev. N. H. D. Wilson, Pastor.

"Upon our arrival we were welcomed by a large delegation of our good Methodist members. We were very glad to find a strong Brother-hood and two Epworth Leagues and such active Missionary Societies.

I know with all these we are going to accomplish great things this year.

November 5, 1930.

"During the quarter we attempted a City-wide Visitation Evangelistic Campaign and much good was done, but it fell far short of our hopes and expectations.

We hope by organizing the information gained, and working systematically with it we may yet derive much greater gains. Looking back on the swift year, I may say it has been a pleasant one to me, and I hope not without some progress to the Church."

"The Pastor continues to do what is in his power to gain and train

the children for the Master."

November 11, 1931.

"Much that I had hoped and planned to do in the Church will, of course, have to wait for other hands. My breakdown in the middle of what I had hoped would be four years of work, brings to me great sorrow and disappointment. But the work is not mine, it is the Master's. He will carry it on to completion. My interest and my prayers will center here throughout the years which may be given me. What interests you will interest me. Your prosperity will be my joy.

The blessings of God be upon you."

N. H. D. Wilson.

[In Dr. N. H. D. Wilson's report to the Quarterly Conference Conference February 3, 1931, there is this record:

"Removed: by death, Mrs. B. C. Gorham."

Somehow it just can't be left like that, even though suitable resolutions are recorded elsewhere. Fifty years, and a little more, Miss Lizzie Rishton, later Mrs. B. C. Gorham, served our Lord in Hay Street Church. In day school, Sunday School, Woman's Missionary Society, and Bright Jewels, as Steward, in more ways than seems possible for one person, she evidenced her love for her Savior, and for her fellows, both in the Church, and in the community outside of our Church. For everyone whose heart holds her in grateful remembrance I'm adding these inadequate words.]

February 3, 1932.

Dr. J. C. Wooten, P. E.

Dr. Walter Patten, Pastor.

"It is encouraging to find the Church School well organized, with an effective personnel.

As a part of our educational plan it is our hope to have the Advocate placed, at least in the homes of all our official members."

Report of Superintendent of Hay Street Sunday School.

"Upon taking charge of the Sunday School of Hay Street Church a few weeks ago, I found that it had been well organized by Dr. Lilly, the former Superintendent, and running well. I have maintained this organization entirely, except the drafting of Dr. Lilly as general Young People's Superintendent. The Sunday School is doing good work. The teachers are faithful and are interested in their work, and ready to

cooperate in every respect. Two Council meetings have been held, which were well attended and in which much interest was shown. The music has been fine under the direction of Messrs Kutz and Derby, the latter is the director of the very fine Sunday School orchestra. Another especially fine feature of the School is the splendid library, under the management of Mrs. J. M. Lilly. This library does much to hold the interest of the young people in the School and at the same time supplies a very decided need in their intellectual life. The books have been well selected. The financial interests of the school have fallen behind just a bit, but we are hoping to take care of this very vital part of the School's work. A very fine White Christmas program was rendered at that time, and practically all of our classes took care of our unfortunate families in a most satisfactory manner. The spiritual work of the Sunday School, I trust, will not be lost sight of as we go through the year."

Horace Sisk, Superintendent.

November 17, 1933.

Epworth League:

"Officers for the new year President, Linwood Blackburn; Vice-President, Edith Goff; Secretary, Mary Stewart; Treasurer, Wythe Weathers. Plans are being made for good work. Pledge paid in full, and a good representation next year at Louisburg Conference."

The League had ten representatives at the Summer Assembly (Epworth League Conference) at Louisburg in July 1934. More than any other League. Linwood Blackburn was made Vice-President of the Young People's Division of the North Carolina Conference, an honor that Hay Street Leaguers appreciate.

Hay Street League paid its 1933—1934 pledge of \$50. with \$5. over. (They over paid their pledge last year by \$3. in all paying \$53.) These young people have charge of the Missionary programs in the Sunday School every fourth Sunday. They, and Hay Street membership, are glad that their president, Linwood Blackburn, is at Duke University preparing for the ministry.

Many of the 87 members are away at college, but others are coming into the League, and all are preparing for service.

August 5, 1933.

From Pastor's Report on Education:

"Educational and spiritual growth are two objectives that are constantly before us. The work of the Church School is more and more being adjusted to the needs of all the members of the family. There is the hope that we may enlist all the members of our families in the constructive work of the Church School. We rejoice in having a group of

consecrated, prepared teachers thus serving the Church."

[Dr. Walter Patten's friendly way of celebrating birthdays is responsible for his efforts to help us celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of Hay Street Methodist Church.

The Church bulletin for October 7, 1934, carried the following:

CENTENNIAL WEEK

Hay Street Methodist Church

October 14-21, 1934

Dear Members of Hay Street:

A hundred years of local Church history is a goodly heritage. It is one that enlists our cooperation, appreciation, and loyalty. It reminds us of what others have done to make our lives finer, happier and better. Suppose that we never had the opportunity to say, "Thank you!" What a dreary, lonely life we would have. For a hundred years the blessings have accumulated and come streaming into our lives today.

WE SHALL HONOR THE EVENT

- 1. By attending the Centennial services, during the week October 14—21st.
- 2. By inviting some one to attend the services with us and to take their stand with our Lord and Master.
- 3. By making a liberal offering Sunday, October 21st, in multiples of 100 for the work of the Gospel among others in appreciation of what Hay Street Church has meant and does mean to us.

4. By the publication of the history of Hay Street Methodist

Church.

5. By renewing our loyalty and devotion to the life and work of our Lord and Master in a great gathering of praise and gratitude Sunday morning the 21st.

May these coming days mean all this and more to the membership

of Hay Street.

Most sincerely, Your minister, Walter Patten.

CHAPTER IX.

"AND WALK THEREIN"

The notes from Bishop Asbury's Journal have made me anxious to get hold of a copy of his Journal.

Even in 1814 while in Fayetteville holding the Annual Conference he could forget physical agony and glorify and praise God for spiritual life. He grew steadily worse. He preached his last sermon in Richmond, Va., on March 24, 1816. He had to be carried into the pulpit. He insisted upon going on next day and reached Mr. Arnold's on the 29th. Two days later he was freed from suffering. His body lies in Mount Olivet Cemetery in Baltimore.

When we consider his fifty-five years of service, his more than thirty years of almost constant travel under hard conditions—does it make us wonder what we are putting into the link we are forging for those who follow us? Will it hold? We must take our place in history, but it is our privilege to decide how our record is made—even as Francis Asbury decided—and made life glorious for so many thousands. He did not spare himself the torture of the long, hard trips on horseback from New York to Georgia the last months of his life. "January 10, 1813. Sabbath. I preached at Ransom's on Little Pee Dee. Monday a bleak ride brought us to General Lee's. I took an emetic. My foot is much swelled. Tuesday I was glad to stay at McNeill's in Lumberton. Applied a blister to my foot. Henry Boehm preached. x x Thursday came to Fayetteville through a cold, heavy rain. I blistered my foot again. The Lord blesses me with patience. They carried me into the Church. I ordained two deacons and one elder. I failed in strength after preaching, and Rev. Mr. Turner, a Presbyterian minister, concluded our meeting by prayer.

January 2, 1814. Sunday. I preached in the Chapel (Rembert's, in S. C.) On Monday we came away to Fayetteville in company with Myers and Norton, to Fayetteville, 140 miles, visiting many families in our route. Friday, 7th. I received 7 letters; the contents of some of them make me feel serious. We learn that Bishop Coke with seven young preachers sailed for the East Indies. The British Society is poor as well as ourselves, it would appear: this is a good sign. In less than 100 years Methodism has spread over three quarters of the globe; and it is now about to carry the Gospel of salvation into Asia. I am divinely impressed to preach sanctification in every sermon. Sunday 9th. We had rain. Bishop McKendree preached. I preached. x x

We had a spiritual, heavenly, and united Conference (Annual Conference). There were 20 deacons ordained, 35 preachers stationed; 12 have located, and 1 has died, suddenly, and 15 added Sunday. Saturday 16th. I preached. Thursday we came away."

Sixty times Bishop Asbury crossed the Alleghany Mountains to

preach the Gospel to as many as would hear.

It is gratifying to know that the last of his visits to Fayetteville, the Annual Conference in January 1814, was "a spiritual, heavenly, and united Conference." Surely he won many of the best people of this section. That the Gospel he, and other Methodists preached was effective we know. That it is just as effective today we know by the lives of some now living among us whose great grandfathers heard Whitfield, and Asbury and McKendree, and often, very likely, Rev. Henry Evans.

In the list of Stewards for 1809, the first Stewards of the M. E. Church, we find the name of Isham Blake. He was also one of the first Trustees, recorded in 1811. Just to get a glimpse at how important it is for us to live faithfully let's consider Mr. Blake's family.

His daughter Eliza Blake married Samuel Steel, a steward and trustee in the Methodist Church. His son Samuel had a son, John A. Steel. We all know Mr. John Steel. He has served Hay Street Church as steward, trustee, treasurer of Centenary funds, as Sunday School Supt., teacher, secretary. His record is a splendid one—he has lived his religion before us all, and made a good record.

Samuel Steel's son Ferdinand has a son carrying on for God in our Church, the Rev. Sam A. Steel.

A third son of Samuel Steel and Eliza Blake was Augustus W. Steel. He was a successful business man, President of the State Bank in Fayetteville, steward and trustee of Hay Street Church. His daughter Augusta, Mrs. George M. Rose, was brought up in Hay Street Church. Her life is one of rare integrity, lovely and fine. Her son Charles Rose is Superintendent of the First Presysterian Sunday School. A Christian gentleman, he lives his religion before all men.

Isham Blake's daughter Sallie married Dr. John Owen a steward in the Methodist Church. Their son William Owen married Miss Sarah Margaret Buie—their son John M. Owen is chairman of the Board of Stewards at Camp Ground Methodist Church. He married Miss Effie Davis, and their son John Malloy Owen, Jr., is a steward at Camp Ground, a District Steward, and is secretary and treasurer of the Sunday School. To the faithful there is given to know the joy of forging a link in the chain of life that is true to a fine inheritance, and pleasing to God.

The official history of the Methodist Episcopal Church in Fayetteville in 1808 began with the pastor, Rev. Thomas Mason. Is it not fitting that we here give place to a tribute to those heroic souls who blazed the trail for us—written by his grandson, Rev. Frank Mason North, D. D.?

THE CHRISTMAS CONFERENCE

Frank Mason North

Eternal God, beneath Thy hand Stretch far the coast of every land; The boundless plain, the hidden mine, The streams, the forests,—all are Thine. At Thy command the mountains rise; Thou art the Lord of earth and skies

Thine are the men of zeal and worth Who search Thy ways through all Thy earth, Who face the storm, who brave the sea, In light and darkness, seeking Thee, Who flash the message through the air, That God, our God, is everywhere.

Come we some stalwart souls to praise, Who found Thee in the far-off days, Who saw in continents Thy will, Thy truth in prairie, lake, and hill, But knew that only in man's heart The everlasting life Thou art.

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*For Other Objects: Conference Claimants, American Bible Society, Superanuate Endowment, Voluntary Kingdom Extension, Education, Church Extension, On Building Church, etc.

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PROGRAM

CENTENNIAL WEEK HAY STREET METHODIST CHURCH OCTOBER 14—21 1834—1934

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14

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9:45 A. M.	The Church SchoolHorace Sisk, Superintendent Intelligent Religious Instruction Today
10:30 A. M.	Love Feast—Conducted by Dr. J. T. Gibbs, Assisted by Rev. T. H. Sutton.
	Lay Assistants: Dr. G. B. Patterson, Hunter G. Smth, H. L. Hedgpeth, A. P. Kutz, L. H. Porter, J. S. Chandler, Dr. J. H. Judd.
11:00 A. M.	SermonBy Rev. J. H. Shore
6:30 P. M.	The Leagues Centennial Union Service. Theme: "The Beginnings of Methodism."
	"John Wesley's Boyhood"By Floyd Souders "The Wesleys at Oxford"By Mildred Horner
7:30 P. M.	Laymen's Centennial Service.
	Theme: "Honoring Our Fathers."
	Witnesses for Hay Street Church: Dr. G. B. Patterson and J. A. Steel.
	"Kingdom Builders"Q. K. Nimocks
	"Stewards of Past Years"D. U. Sandlin
	"Leaders of Twenty-Five Years Ago,"—R. W. Herring, Dr. W. S. Jordan.
	"Carrying On Today"J. S. Chandler
	WEEK NIGHT SERVICES
Monday, Oct.	15, 7:30 P. M. "Laborers Together"Rev. J. D. Bundy
	ober 16, 7:30 P. M. "Methodism"Dr. Gilbert T. Rice
•	Oct. 17, 7:30 P. M. "In Full Strength"_Dr. N. H. D. Wilson
•	8, 7:30 P. M. "Person St. Church Founded"_Rev. T. H. Sutton
	9, 7:30 P. M. Pageant Centennial Hay Street Church at High School Auditorium.

SERVICES SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21st

- 9:45 A. M. The Church School_____Horace Sisk, Supenintendent "Great Teachers of the Past"
- 11:00 A. M. Infant Baptism.
 Reception of Members.
 Presentation of Centennial Offering.
 Response of Praise.
- 7:30 P. M. Stereopticon Lecture of sesquicentennial of American Methodism.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

COMMITTEES:

PUBLICATION OF HISTORY OF HAY STREET CHURCH: J. D. De-Vane, Chairman; J. S. Chandler, E. C. Derby, Miss Lizzie Dell Sutton, Mrs. Tildon Walker.

COMPILER: Miss Elizabeth Lamb.

CENTENNIAL OFFERING: Mrs. T. H. Sutton, Chairman.

HOSPITALITY: Mrs. Victor Motz, Chairman; Mrs. Charles H. Watson, Mrs. E. C. Derby, Mrs. J. M. Lilly.

PAGEANT: General: Mrs. Walter Patten, Mrs. R. B. John, Mrs. T. H. Sutton.

Director: Miss Ruth Davis. Locutor: Terry A. Lyon. Stage: Victor Motz.

Casting: The Directors of Scenes.

HISTORICAL PAGEANT OF METHODISM

Part 1

Inception of Methodism

Scene 1—The Christmas Conference, Baltimore, 1784.
Miss Josephine Smith, Director.

Scene 2—The Holy Club at Oxford.

Scene 3—John Wesley Preaching on his father's tombstone.

Scene 4—March of Methodists to new edifice on Hay Street, 1834.

Jay Patterson, Director.

Part 2

Methodism in America

Scene 1-The Christmas Conference Baltimore 1784.

Mrs. W. H. Cobb and Miss Mamie Gray, Directors.

Scene 2—Fayetteville's African Chapel, Father Evans preaching.
 Scene 3—Organization of the Methodist Society of Fayetteville, with the election of Stewards, 1808.

Mrs. B. Whiteside and Mrs. J. M. Wright, Directors.

Scene 4-March of Methodism to new edifice on Hay Street, 1834.

Scene 5—Resolutions of 1844.

Miss Marion McLean, Mrs. William Hunter, Mrs. George Tinnin, and Mrs. J. A. Holmes, Directors.

Scene 6—Laying Cirnerstone of present Church, 1908.

Scene 7—Fruits of Hay Street Church—Missionaries et cetera.
Miss Helen Downs, Miss Martha Patterson and Mrs. J. S.
Chandler, Directors.

THE OFFICIAL ROLL

Hay Street Methodist Church

October 1934

MINISTERS

Resident Bishop, Paul B. Kern	Greensboro, N. C.
Presiding Elder, John C. Wooten	Favetteville, N. C.
Preacher in charge, Walter Patten	_Favetteville, N. C.
Superannuate, Thomas H. Sutton	Favetteville N C

LAY OFFICIALS

CHARGE LAY LEADER, Robert W. Herring.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Hunter G. Smith, Chairman; R. W. Rerring, W. S. Jordan, F. V. Motz, Q. K. Nimocks, J., D. U. Sandlin, E. H. Foley.

BOARD OF STEWARDS: D. U. Sandlin, Chairman; Mrs. C. J. Jacob, Financial Secretary and Treasurer.

HONORARY STEWARDS: J. A. Steel, Dr. G. B. Patterson.

STEWARDS TO SERVE ONE YEAR: R. L. Franck, Dr. W. S. Jordan, Dr. J. H. Judd, A. P. Kutz, Q. K. Nimocks, Jr., Dr. W. T. Rainey, Mrs. F. B. Souders, Albert Stewart, M. B. White.

STEWARDS TO SERVE TWO YEARS: E. C. Derby, E. H. Foley, H. L. Hedgpeth, P. O. Hoffer, Dr. J. M. Lilly, W. McK. Monroe, F. V. Motz, Hunter G. Smith, Miss Lizzie Dell Sutton.

STEWARDS TO SERVE THREE YEARS: J. W. Hensdale, R. W. Herring, Jerome Melvin, Paul K. Shuler, Mrs. T. H. Sutton, R. F. Turk, W. H. Turlington, W. A. Vanstory.

STEWARDS TO SERVE FOUR YEARS: J. S. Chandler, L. B. Honeycutt, Miss Isabel Lamb, Terry A. Lyon, Jay H. Patterson, L. H. Porter, J. J. Powers, D. U. Sandlin, George W. Tinnin.

THE WESLEY BROTHERHOOD: Jerome Melvin, President; L. H. Porter, Vice-President, J. T. Harrington, Secretary and Treasurer.

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STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE: Dr. W. S. Jordan, Chairman.

TEMPERANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICE COMMITTEE: Mrs. O. N. Goff, Chairman.

DIRECTOR OF GOLDEN CROSS: Mrs. F. Victor Motz.

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Miss Mary Catherine Trice, Pianist

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Teachers: Mrs. Jerome Melvin, Miss Marion McLean, Mrs. O. W. Holmes, Mrs. E. H. Foley, Mrs. O. J. McConnell, Mr. J. H. Judd, Mrs. Dolly Britt.

Assistant Teachers: Mrs. E. L. Smith, Miss Mary Jane Cousar, Miss Julia Wooten.

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Dr. J. M. Lilly, Director

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Teachers of Girls Classes: Miss Mary Franck, Miss Elizabeth Brown, Miss Margaret Isaacs, Mrs. J. S. Chandler. Miss Isabel Lamb, Asst. Teacher.

Teachers of Boys' Classes: J. W. Hensdale, R. E. Nimocks, D. U. Sandlin, Linwood Blackburn. Lawrence Patten, Asst. Teacher.

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HAY STREET METHODIST CHURCH CHURCH ROLL

October 1, 1934

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